That well oiled Arab propaganda campaign is winning the war for men's minds

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Zionist leaders in this country and Israel are bemoaning the fact that there is not enough information about Israel and Zionism to arm American Jews to stem the growing tide of Arab propaganda. This propaganda, slick and subtle, subliminal and obvious is beginning to innundate the news and editorial pages of the daily press, much to the consternation and anxiety of these leaders.

At the same time, the Zionist informational apparatus here and in Israel tend to relegate their activities to producing and reproducing what to many Jews seems to be hackneyed cliche ridden statements and shibboleths that are geared more for emotional barrage against the Arabs than for thoughtful and incisive rebuttals that Jews can use in answering some of the Arab contentions.

It is a sad but objective fact that at the moment the Arabs appear to be gaining in the propaganda war, but more by default than because of any genuine contributions to the arsenal of clear and objective thinking. They are gaining by virtue of the absence of incisive Zionist educational material and, alternately, by the dissemination of glittering albeit surface propaganda material of the kind that was serviceable before the Arab propaganda drive began in full force.

For too long a time Zionists and Jewish and non-Jewish supporters of Israel felt they had cornered the market on pro-Israel propaganda. And for too long a time this feeling caused a certain amount of smugness, an attitude that history had irrevocably absolved Zionism and Israel. Many American Jews did not feel challenged to answer or deal with Arab propaganda as long as Israel was receiving kudos in the American press and from American policy and public opinion moulders, and as long as the Arab propaganda machinery was in low gear.

Even many Israelis, including those involved in public information affairs and in the news media, who were told that their cause had to be constantly re-enforced and re-stated in America, and that this required available educational material for widespread distribution, responded by claiming that this was only a problem for diaspora-oriented Jews, that Israel's cause was well known and assured and that, in any case, who cared about what the "goyim" thought about Israel and Zionism? But all this has proved to be transient and illusory.

Now American and Israeli Zionist leaders are beginning to feel the squeeze of Arab propaganda and what Hamlet called the "pangs of despised love." This has been driven home repeatedly in the last few weeks by such personalities as Leon Dulzin, Rabbi Israel Miller, Ambassador David Rivlin, Meyer Weisgal and Abba Eban. What can be done? Moreover, what can be done about what?

Arab propaganda — the professional, not the strident — covers the entire field of Zionist history, Palestine and the State of Israel in all its ramifications. Some of this propaganda is highly theoretical, dealing with the nature of Zionism as theory and practice. It is slick, it is well researched, it is analytical, and goes quite frequetly to original source material, quoting copiously although one-sidedly and out-of-context some of the more sanguine statements of pioneer and current Zionist leaders.

The effectiveness of his approach cannot be underestimated merely because it is on a highly sophisticated and even academic level. It only serves to impress the impressionable with the seriousness of the propaganda, and unless one is familiar with chapter and verse of the Zionists quoted it is impossible to detect the highly selective method of quoting. In addition, a great deal of Arab propaganda is developed, refined and adapted to the needs of professors, intellectuals, students, trade unionists and journalists by Arab and left-wing specialists in the field of Israel and Zionism. And little of this is glib or facile. The material offered by the Zionist establishment does not do this history justice. It had better begin to do so. Perhaps the time has come for Zionists to focus beyond the critique of Arab arms to arming themselves with critiques of Arab ideas as they did in the past. For in the long run, the ideas will prove more powerful than the arms the Arabs now have at their disposal. In the final analysis ideas serve to mobilize arms.

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Christians said ready to give aid for Israel

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

Many members of the Christian community would help Israel if they knew how, believes Mrs. Mollie Rothman.

With this in mind, Mrs. Rothman, chairman of the Pioneer Women's 'Spiritual Adopt-A-Child-In-Israel' campaign, went to the non-Jewish community through an ad in the daily press.

The ad was an urgent plea to people of all faiths to "spiritually adopt Israel, the Land and the People" by providing some financial support for an Israeli child in one of the Pioneer Women's children's homes.

According to Mrs. Tillie Margolis, president of the Toronto Council ofPioneer Women, "In addition to the requests for further information, we have, thus far, received total contributions enabling the 'spiritual adoption' of 15 children (it costs $300 to "spiritually adopt" a child for one year) and responses are still being recieved."

In an interview with **The Canadian Jewish News**, the ladies explained that they are planning more ads in the daily press and are looking into the feasibility of an advertisement on television in the form of a slide presentation. "My faith in the non-Jewish community was vindicated, yet I believe we have only touched the tip of the iceberg," said Mrs. Rothman.

According to their ad, placed a month ago, people could contribute $30 for one month's care up to $300 for a year's care of one child. But the Pioneer women stress that any amount is accepted One non-Jewish woman who made a modest contribution wrote a note saying, "Sorry it is not more."

Contributions have been received from areas outside Toronto and some from the United States. Interest has been shown by some Church groups, such as one which accompanied its contribution with a note that ended, "May the Architect of the Universe prosper Israel and bless your important work abundantly."

Mrs. Margolis noted that they have had requests for actual adoption. In addition to the fact that "Israel needs all of its children in Israel," she pointed out that "we don't encourage personal contact with the children so that all the children get equal treatment."

Those who contribute $300 receive a picture of one of the children being helped and, in addition, attend a dinner in March at which, Mrs. Rothman hopes, many non-Jews this year will be in attendance.

Despite the "objections and embarassment" of some Pioneer Women and other members of the Jewish community that they went to others for help, the ladies feel that Israel's economic situation and the wealth of the Arabs mean that Jews cannot do it alone.

Furthremore, believes Mrs. Rothman, if a non-Jew financially helps an Israeli child it is more meaningful to him and creates a bond with Israel in a way that the purchase of a raffle ticket for some charity cannot do.

To support this contention, Mrs. Rothman cited several examples of how thrilled non-Jewish people were when they had trees planted in Israel in their name by Jewihs friends. "Having a part of them in Israel means a lot to these people" she reiterated.

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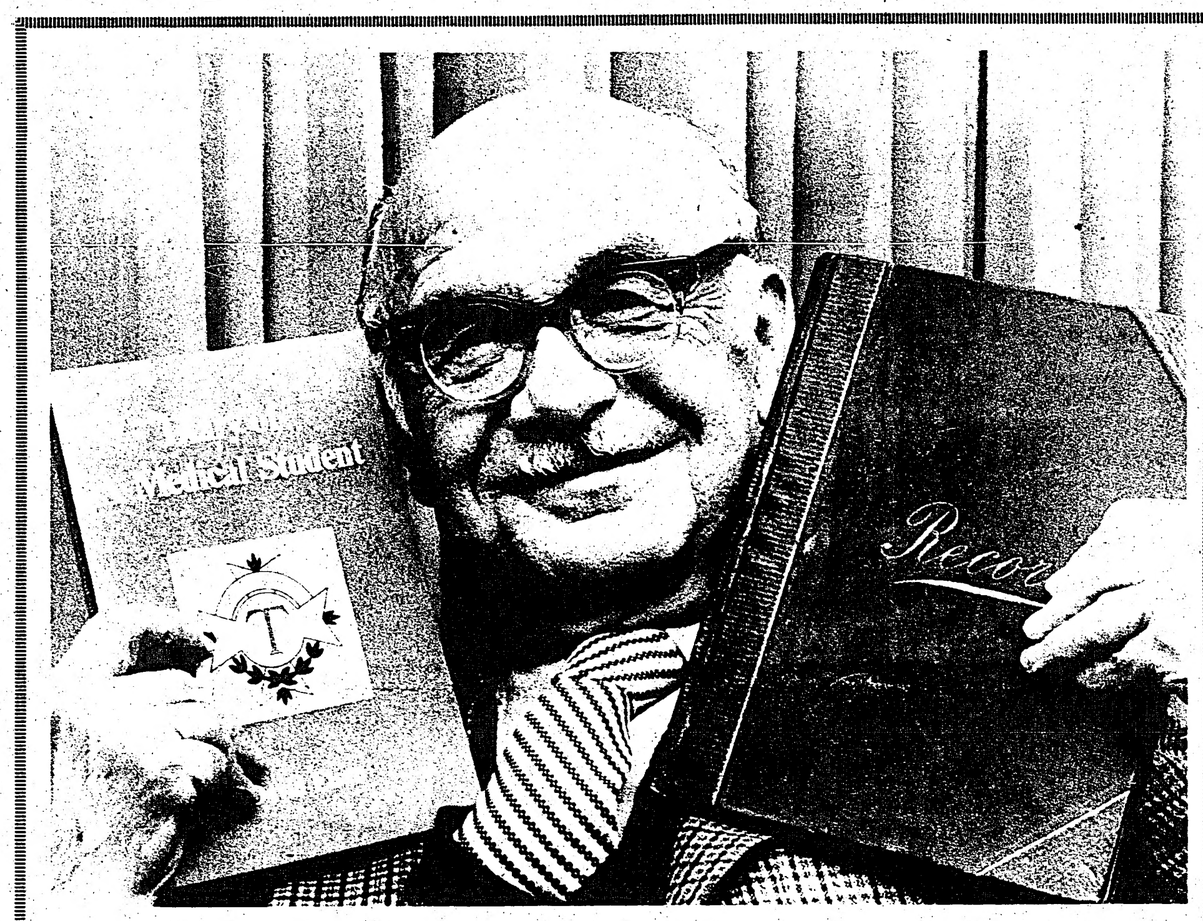

TREASURE HOUSE OF MEMORIES

Dr. David Eisen shows off his recently published Diary of a Medical Student, and the original 1917-1922 diary. He began to edit the diary when he retired from medical practice two years ago. Considered one of Canada's leading Jewish historians, he rediscovered the diary when he was in the process of moving into a new home. Part of his book deals with Toronto Jewish life during World War I. (B. Willer)

Northeast sector of Metro requires service, bringing into mainstream, meeting is told

By ELLIE TESHER

TORONTO —

The northeast sector of Metropolitian Toronto which covers the area from Yonge Street east to Victoria Park Avenue and north from Sheppard Avenue to Highway 7, was one of several community concerns touched on by a panel at a special meeting of the Social Planning Committee at Adath Israel Synagogue this week.

Panel participants included Irene Fink, chairman, Youth Services Committee; Mort Rapp, chairman, Goals and Service Targets Committee and Debbi Vigoda, chairman, Town Talk. Ron Appleby was the moderator.

Dr. Rupert Shriar, director of Social Planning for the United Jewish Welfare Fund, delivered a report prepared by Martin Mendelow, chairman of the Northeast sector, who was unable to attend the meeting.

The report dealt with the estimated 25,000 Jewish residents of the area, the majority of whom are young professionals who have expressed the need to acquire a physical facility in the form of a storefront operation to alert the community of a Jewish presence and make them aware of the service available to them. The committee of 25 met in November and will hold the next meeting Jan. 22. Goal of the committee is to avoid fragmentation within the Jewish community and bringing this isolated sector into the Jewish mainstream.

The SPC is involved in a two-pronged approach to community development in this area making sure that agency service are delivered effectively and meeting directly with people to identify their needs. This project calls for financial support of approximately $15,000 per year for a two-year period.

The SPC presented its reports and recommendations to over 100 representatives of the UJWF executive and board of directors, senior officers of involved agencies and institutions, campaign planning committee members, and Young Leadership Development members.

Madeleine Epstein, chairman of the SPC, urged the UJWF to consider the implications arising from the presentation of local community health and welfare requirements. Since its reorganization in 1969, the SPC has the task of sifting out priorities, establishing a concept of community planning and a structure to facilitate it, encouraging co-operation between agencies and organizations, and taking action for the assurance of meeting needs.

In a background paper mailed to all who were invited to the meeting, the SPC interpreted an overview of present comunity concerns, as determined by the criteria of its stated goals — "the welfare of the Jews of Toronto, (and) the survival of, continuation and enhancement of Jewish life."

An area of major concern for open panel presentation was that of youth services. The professionally staffed committee on youth has been meeting for a year and a half, to develop a profile on the whereabouts of students, from early adolescence to the age of higher education. Irene Fink revealed what she termed the "tenuousness" of working with this age group.

"The problem for youth-serving agencies is not merely attracting young people to their programs," she pointed out, "but holding their interest and, hopefully, their Jewish identity" through continued associations with various programs. A survey of the attitudes and affiliations of Jewish youth has been piloted in two schools, and the go-ahead has been granted for a similar study throughout North York junior and senior high schools.

Cash collections on agenda of Jewish Agency meeting

By STEPHANIE BRUSSEL

MONTREAL —

Finding money for Israel's humanitarian needs in this period of global recession-depression will be high on the agenda facing the board of governors of the Jewish agency during their Jan. 26-27 meeting in Jerusalem, according to Thomas O. Hecht, head of the Canadian delegation.

"The problems of cash collection in times of economic hardship in the Diaspora" will be a major consideration, continued Hecht, president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada.

"We will meet with Israeli leadership," Hecht stated, and another paramount area of concern "will be the absorption of increasing numbers of Russian Jews coming to Israel as a result of the passage of the U.S. foreign trade bill."

The bill grants "most favored nation" status to the Soviet Union with the proviso that Jews be permitted to freely immigrate.

The board of governors which meets several times each year and is made up of over 60 leaders from Jewish communities throughout the world will also deal with the various aspects of aliyah, and Jewish education in the Diaspora.

All issues will be considered within the context of the "interrelationship and interdependance of Israel and world Jewry," Hecht added.

Members of the Canadian delegation also include Gordon Brown, UIA Board Chairman; Murray Tapper, National Women's Chairman; Arnold Portigal, Deputy President; and Leo Marcus, Executive Director.

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Schools' integration possible without loss of features: Steiner

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO —

The integration of North York Jewish schools into the public school system can be accomplished without destroying the unique character of the Jewish schools, Harry Steiner, president of the Board of Jewish-Education, told North York school trustees last night.

"We believe that integration of the Jewish schools can be achieved without the need to surrender many of those features which have made of our institutions meaningful educational alternatives for Jewish parents . . ." said Steiner in an official reply to the ad hoc committee established by the North York board last month to study the feasibility of supporting a school with a "distinct cultural identity."

Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, requested that total integration be implemented by September, 1976, a recommendation in line with Dr. Hugh Partlow's thinking on the planned integration.

Arguing the case for integration, Rabbi Witty said that the provinces of Quebec and Alberta had already set a precedent for financial assistance to Jewish schools. Disagreeing with the Partlow report, Rabbi Witty remarked that integration could be eased and, in fact, facilitated if one or two Jewish schools were permitted to create pilot projects simulating union between the Board of Education and the public school system.

Saul Koschitzky, president of the Association of Jewish Day School Parents, called for the creation of a committee, composed of professionals from the Board of Jewish Education and the North York board, to study the practical problems inherent in integration.

In suggesting that the feasibility report submitted by the North York board in December may serve as a model for "the carefully planned and executed development of new educational options for cultural minorities in Canada," Steiner urged the school trustees to implement integration "at an early date," and seek enabling legislation to inaugurate the program in accordance with the law.

Steiner said the North York board should appoint an assistant superintendant to oversee the operations of such schools.

Replying to Dr. Partlow's contention that integration would engender "much negotiation and compromise," Steiner asserted: "We are convinced that solutions can be found, for almost all of the difficulties presented in the feasibility report, and that our request for assisting the Jewish schools can be granted without having those schools giving up ... that which they have so long struggled to maintain."

In his 75-page report, Dr. Partlow listed four problems that will be "difficult to overcome" for the Board of Jewish Education: length of school day for general studies, small classrooms and pupil-teacher ratio, admission policies and certification of staff.

Steiner, reading the brief on behalf of the Board of Jewish Education, sought to dispel any doubts the North York trustees might entertain regarding integration.

On hours of instruction, Steiner proposed that North York "recognize the total program of the Jewish schools, including the totality of the Hebrew Studies program, as meeting the time requirements" of Ontario.

Present Ontario regulations require that schools provide five hours of instructional time in each day school. In practice, recesses reduce this requirement to 4½ hours per day. The Jewish schools presently meet for a minimum of six hours every day.

On classroom size, Steiner argued that rooms should be considered to be like many of the classrooms in older schools buildings still used in metropolitan Toronto.

He added: It is suggested that all classrooms presently in use by the Jewish schools be considered as substantially meeting Board regulations, with a clear commitment that any new construction undertaken by, or on behalf of, the Jewish schools conform fully to present Metro regulations."

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Syrians ready to launch war

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Israelis face a resolute and fanatical enemy in the Syrians, who are quite prepared to wreck their economy for the sake of recovering the Golan Heights in another bloody war. They are also reportedly ready to launch a war if Egypt, their ally in October, 1973, acquiesces to a partial disengagement accord that would have the effect of freezing the truce lines and thereby forestalling their chances of obtaining the release of the Golan Heights.

President Hafez al-Assad, one of the most durable Syrian leaders since his country's independence, is so convinced of Israeli rapacity and American duplicity that a serious rift in relations has apparently developed between Syria and Egypt over U.S. propsals for a second-stage disengagement of Arab and Israeli armies. President Sadat, who has practically staked his reputation on Henry Kissinger's ability to deliver a substantial Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab lands, has been all but mocked by the rabid Syrians. The latter claim that Cairo will fall into a trap if it accedes to a partial rather than a full evacuation of Israeli forces.

The ravaged city of Kuneitra, destroyed in piecemeal fashion by opposing armies during the Six Day War, the War of Attrition and the Yom Kippur War, stands as a broken, though defiant monument, of Syrian stubborness not to yield to Israeli demands or conditions. When Damascus

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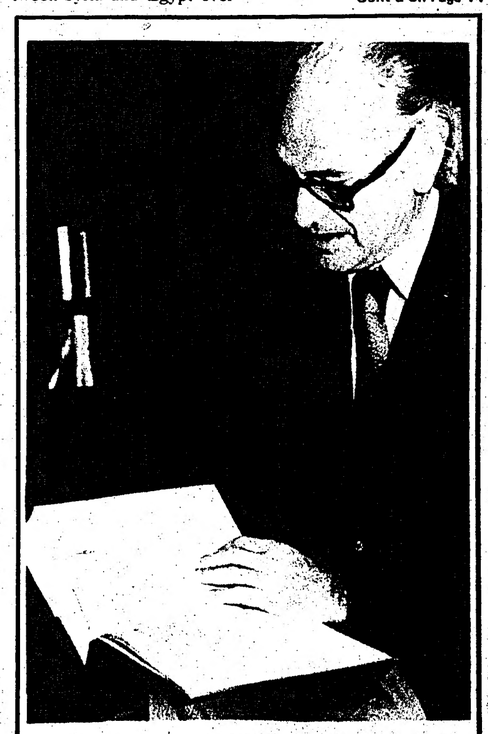

Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut of Holy Blossom Temple looks over volume one of the first commentary on the Torah to be produced by Reform Judaism in North America. It was published this week. Rabbi Plaut wrote the Commentary of Genesis with the assistance of three American academics. The New York Times earlier this month had a two-column newstory about the publication of 585-page book written over a four-year period.

World News

Vatican guidelines stress need to improve relations between Jews, Christians

ROME (JCNS) —

"We may simply restate here that the spiritual bonds and historical links binding the church to Judaism condemn (as opposed to the very spirit of Christianity) all forms of antisemitism and discrimination which, in any case, the dignity of the human person alone would suffice to condemn."

This uncompromising declaration is characteristic of the guidelines and suggestions issued by the Vatican to develop better relations between Jews and Christians. It is part of a document issued by the Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews, a new body set up by Pope Paul VI in October last year and headed by Cardinal Jan Willebrands.

The document recalls that the Second Vatican Council in 1965 issued a Declaration of great importance called "Nostra Aetate" on the relationship of the Church to non-Christian religions. It recognised that Christian and Jew had drifted so far apart as hardly to know each other. The declaration from the Vatican Council "provides an opportunity to open or to continue a dialogue with a view to better mutual understanding."

Now is the time, suggests the commission, "to propose some concrete suggestions born of experience, hoping that they will help to bring into actual existence in the life of the Church the intentions expressed in the conciliar document." The commission accepts the fact that relations between Jew and Christian "have scarcely ever risen above the level of monologue" but stresses "real dialogue must be established." But dialogue demands changed attitudes: "respect for the other as he is; above all, respect for his faith and his religious convictions."

Catholics "must take care to live and spread their Christian faith while maintaining the strictest respect for religious liberty" and should regard with particular sensitivity the difficulties which arise for Jews "when faced with the mystery of the incarnate Word."

The commission asks not only for friendly talks between Jews and Christians but for meetings of experts to study together for many problems deriving from fundamental convictions. And the suggestion is made that there be "a common meeting in the presence of God, in prayer and silent meditation." The commission thinks that worship can help to bind Jews and Christians together. The new document suggests that Christian preaching should emphasise the continuity of our faith with that of the earlier Covenant."

Sermons on liturgical texts should be carefully thought out so as not to distort their meaning, especially if they seem to show the Jewish people in an unfavorable light. The document suggests that information about both the Jewish background of Christianity, and also the Jewish tradition after the coming of Jesus, should be included in Christian education and should be the subject of Christian research.

Joint work for social justice is commended.

Richard Tucker, for 30 years the leading tenor with the Metropolitan Opera, died last week at the age of 60. He appeared in Toronto last month in concert. (See editorial on Page 4.)

Israel completes negotiations with EEC on Brussels trade

NEW YORK, N.Y. —

The EEC Council of Ministers recently concluded negotiations in Brussels on an agreement which stipulates that all Israeli industrial, and some agricultural, products sold within the European Common Market will become completely duty-free by July 1, 1977.

The announcement was made by the Israeli Director-General of the Ministry of Finance, Avraham Agmon, who said "this is a historic agreement which will produce a revolution in the Israeli industry the likes of which hasn't been seen since the founding of the State." The new agreement, the first to be negotiated with a Mediterranean country, will allow industries located in Israel to compete with European markets on an equal footing while enjoying the benefits of a protected local market for a short time.

In accordance with the new agreement, Israel will have to gradually reduce and eventually abolish customs duties on its imports from the Common Market. The agreement allows her until 1989 to accomplish this. During the interim period, however, Israel will be entitled to impose tariffs on infant industries' products.

The terms of the new agreement will be highly advantageous to foreign investors — especially from countries such as the United States, Canada, and Australia — which do not now enjoy preferential tariffs in the Common Market. It will now be possible for an American businessman to set up a subsidiary in Israel, enjoy certain tax considerations from the U.S. government (according to the IRS Code, Israel is classified as a lesser developed country), receive substantial grants from the Israeli government, and sell his products to Common Market countries duty-free.

Last year, Israel's total industrial exports were $750 million while her imports for the same period totalled $2 billion. The new agreement, combined with the recent change in the rate of exchange, are expected to give Israeli exports a tremendous boost. The new agreement will open the door towards investments in industries whose products are geared toward eventual export.

Agnon stated that the recent negotiations with the Common Market were part of the government's plan to expand its industries. In accord with this government policy, a special program has been established to assist foreign investors in the construction of new plants by providing up to 70% of the total investment.

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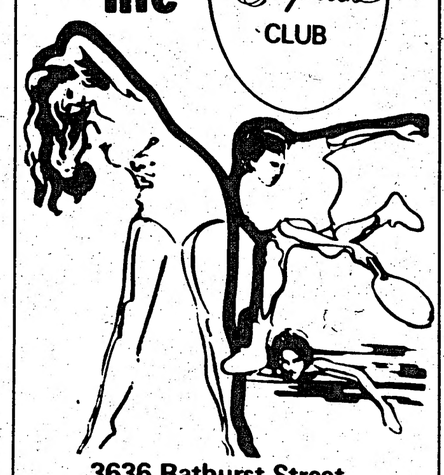

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Boom in agriculture may follow research

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
CJN Israel Correspondent

REHOVOT —

The exploitation of brackish (rather salty) water, huge quantities of which lie underneath Israel's Negev desert, may allow this country to save millions on agricultural imports, and perhaps even permit an increase in its already substantial agricultural exports (some $300-million this year).

So believe a number of Israeli researchers, who suggest that the brackish water be used to irrigate large tracts of land in the Negev, which are potentially fertile but hitherto have not been cultivated for lack of water.

According to Drs. Dov Pasternak and Marvin Twersky of Ben-Gurion University's Development Authority, experiments carried out at Kibbutz Mashabei Sadeh (near Beersheba) have clearly demonstrated that fine crops of sorghum, wheat, sugar beets, cotton, fodder grass and vegetables can be grown with brackish water. To be specific, such water from Negev drillings contains 2,500 to 3,000 p.p.m. (parts per million) of salt, as compared tp 600 p.p.m. of salt in water pumped to the Negev at great cost from northern Israel.

Some of the relatively salt-free water from the north will always be required for domestic consumption and for certain salt-sensitive crops, but Drs. Pasternak and Twersky say the time has come for large-scale exploitation of the area's brackish water as well. They are dissatisfied with the present development program, which calls for the drilling of only four wells this year, at a cost of about $300,000 each.

These wells will permit the irrigation of 1,500 acres; Pasternak and Twersky favor a program that would allow for the irrigation of many thousands of acres.

Skyrocketing commodity prices have lent weight to their argument. To take just one example: the 500% rise in sugar prices over the last year make it desirable for Israel to grow enough sugar beets to supply her domestic sugar requirements. But the cultivation of sugar beets demands large quantities of water, which is simply not available under present circumstances.

Government planners must now decide whether to undertake the crash program for the exploitation of brackish water proposed by Drs. Pasternak and Twersky, or to drill only a few wells each year until more experience is gained in the irrigation of crops with such water. Prof. Dan Yaron, a Hebrew University specialist in agricultural economics, favors the latter, more cautious approach.

It will take a number of years, Yaron says, before experts can intelligently evaluate possible adverse side-effects of using the Negev's brackish water for irrigation. He believes, for example, that it may be necessary periodically to leach the soil of fields irrigated with brackish water in order to flush out excess salts. Such an operation would require additional water and, therefore, upset economic calculations.

At the same time, Prof. Yaron would most certainly continue the experimental irrigation of various crops with the salty water.

Synagogues defaced by Nazi swastikas

MILWAUKEE (JTA) —

Three synagogues were defaced recently with Nazi swastikas and slogans. The building housing the Jewish Board of Education and Hillel, and a delicatessen also had Nazi messages scrawled on the outside of the structures in magic markers and crayons. In addition, a note was found tacked to the front door of the JBE-Hillel building stating: "Kike's kids blood will run."

The defacements and note followed a meeting of the local Nazi party, a branch of the National Socialist White People's Party. The three synagogues defaced were Temple Menorah, Temple Agudas Achim and Congregation Beth Jehudah.

In recent months, the local Nazi party has painted swastikas on schools and synagogues which had to be sandblasted off and passed out anti-Jewish and anti-Black literature at high schools. The local Nazis, dressed in uniform, have also staged marches every Saturday in a downtown plaza. Matt Koehl, national commander of the National Socialist White People's Party, has suggested that Milwaukee be a "test city" for Nazi activities because of the possible racial tension. The local party, while numbering only some two dozen members, has been quite active.

Several weeks ago an injunction was issued to prevent the group from distributing literature within 200 feet of any school entrance or exit and requiring that the police be informed of any intentions by the group to distribute literature. Warrants charging two party members with disorderly conduct were also issued following a scuffle in which several people sustained minor injuries.

The Milwaukee Jewish Council and the Wisconsin board of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith said they are undertaking a number of programs and activities to try to defuse the situation.

Peres decries charges bodies not claimed

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Defense Minister Shimon Peres today sharply rebutted charges by Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren that the Army Chaplaincy Corps badly mishandled body retrievals during the Yom Kippur War. Peres told the Knesset that contrary to Rabbi Goren's allegations, the Chaplaincy Corps performed "brave and devoted" service during the war although certain lessons were learned that led to a thorough reorganization of some procedures. Peres disclosed that Rabbi Goren has withdrawn a telegram he sent to the Defense Minister yesterday demanding an "independent inquiry" into his charges.

The Chief Rabbi charged that the Chaplaincy Corps had disregarded long standing directives by failing to retrieve the bodies of fallen Israeli soldiers on the Sabbath and holidays, creating a serious morale problem in the armed forces. The matter came up at a Cabinet meeting where Rabbi Goren wan rebuked for "a disgraceful effort to stir up the grief and pain of many bereaved families." It was also the subject of several agenda motions in the Knesset today which were answered by Peres.

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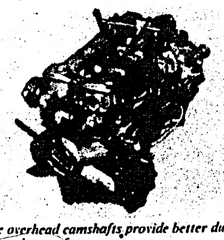

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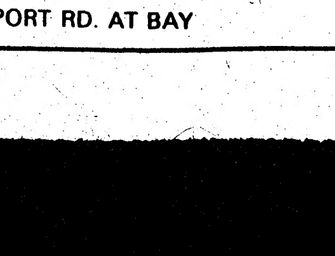

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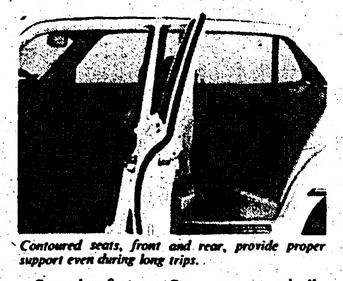

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Hadassah campaign is over

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Hadassah-Wizo's annual Youth Aliyah campaign ends on Jan. 19 and if there's one project for which there is never a problem finding conveners and volunteers, this is it.

It is also one of the easiest as far as raising money is concerned.

So say Honey Walman, co-chairman, with Lillian Kaplan, of this year's campaign, and Gloria Wunder, past-president of Hamilton Hadassah-Wizo Council. They vie with each other in praise of Hamilton women and agree that this is one campaign in which no pressure needs to be exerted.

"Youth Aliyah seems to have a special appeal to women," says Mrs. Walman. "It strikes a chord. After all, the money is for children."

Mrs. Wunder is concerned that there are still many people who do not realize that Youth Aliyah's work of rescuing children — which began in Hitler's Germany — still continue. Only now the children come from the Soviet Union, from North Africa, from Latin America as well as from economically poor and underprivileged Israeli families.

But Hamilton women, she explains, have a special reason for working extra hard for Youth Aliyah because of their close link with the Netanya Day Centre. Since its establishment several years ago with Frances Soble as its founding patron, Hamilton has been financing most of the centre's buildings. The Netanya Day Centre provides high school education and vocational training for young teenagers, mostly of Oriental origin, who would otherwise be drop-outs.

And when Suzanne Schwarz, a past-president of Hamilton Council and member of the national council, died in 1973, it was only fitting that a memorial fund in her name should provide for further expansion of the centre. Today, the Suzanne Schwarz building houses a diamond cutting school.

Another Hamilton project is a trade and training centre for girls at the Acco Youth Village, and members are committed to raising $50,000 for the building.

If the campaign itself is a particularly rewarding one, however, the tea that ends it is something else.

"Let's face it," says Mrs. Wunder, "teas are no longer fashionable." The tea has been traditional for longer than most women care to remember; first the individual teas of each of the nine chapters and, in recent years, the big combined tea. And though every year between 200 and 300 women turn up, they're running out of ideas to make each one different from the last. This year there will be a treasure sale and next?

Mrs. Wunder shakes her head. "No more teas. It's time to think of something else."

A VERY SPECIAL HOME

Omna in Haifa is a home for children without a home. It is one of the many childrens homes built and maintained by Pioneer Women with funds raised through their Spiritual Adopt-A-Child campaign. The Toronto Council of Pioneer Women have been very active in raising funds for the program.

Members of Hamilton JCC get right to vote for directors

By MOURA WOLPERT
Hamilton Correspondent

HAMILTON —
An important change in the constitution of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre gives every member of the community who pays a minimum of $10 into the Hamilton UJWF the right to vote for the centre board of directors. The change was made at a recent board meeting and is the first since the constitution was established in 1949.

Hitherto, centre president Barbara Pollack pointed out, "the board had been a self-perpetuating little group, always voting each other in."

It was the general feeling of the board that directors should be elected by the community at large and that the community should share responsibility for the board.

This was the first step in a concerted drive to stress the importance of a Jewish community centre, to involve the community in its activities to a greater extent and to make available its facilities for as many functions and purposes as possible. There will also be a massive membership drive this year.

"It is the obligation of every Jew in the community to support the centre," Mrs. Pollack said in a recent interview, "and this will give them the opportunity to do so. Many have never been members simply because they have never been asked. In past years, there has been a lack of input on the part of the community, but we hope to change that now."

There has been considerable criticism in recent years, mostly from people who feel that the centre is inconveniently located and that, unless a new building can be put up closer to where most Jews live today, the present building should be sold and the whole idea scrapped. While still in the planning stage, the Delaware St. site was within comfortable distance for most Jewish families, but even before the centre's doors opened almost 25 years ago, most had moved to the West end of the city.

Plans to revitalize centre programming had begun last year but still greater efforts will be made this year to return the centre to its former status as focal point of Jewish community life.

One of the first things will be to encourage organizations to hold their meetings and dinners at the centre rather than at various hotels. Both Mrs. Pollack and centre executive director Sam Brownstone were anxious to point out that every effort will be made to make these meetings as comfortable and happy as possible.

"We are trying to engage a caterer and we shall be happy to discuss fees," Mrs. Pollack said. "If the centre is important to people, they'd better show it by using it." she added.

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To aid immigrants

An Israeli absorption complex to be named after Gordon Brown

By MARK MEDICOFF
Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL —
A $2 million five-building absorption complex slated for construction this winter in Jerusalem will be named after Gordon Brown, former president of United Israel Appeal of Canada.

Brown, one the founding members of UIA, is also honorary chairman of the Combined Jewish Appeal and a past president of Allied Jewish Community Services.

"The immigrant has to have a place to stay when he first arrives in Israel," explained Leo Marcus, executive director of UIA.

"He needs a place to learn the language, to be fed and housed. In short he needs a centre of operation while trying to find a place to live and work. For five months he is under the aegis of the absorption centre."

The Canadian UIA became aware of the pressing need for absorption centres for Russian immigrants when a study mission visited Israel in December, 1972.

"At the time many immigrants were put up in shabby, old badly-serviced hotels," said Marcus. "We felt they had to be provided with something better."

In early 1973, UIA undertook to mark Israel's 25th anniversary through Project Canada, the construction of an absorption centre in Ashkelon, their second centre built in Israel, which will be completed by the coming fall. The first Canada House was erected in Ashdod in 1968 prior to the influx of immigrants from the Soviet Union.

"The Project Canada campaign enjoyed a very good response. It was the first tangible identification between Canadian Jews and Russian immigrants," Marcus added.

In addition to the absorption centres, which upon completion are handed over to the Jewish Agency for operation, Marcus said "the UIA has purchased hundreds of apartments in Jerusalem, Lod and Netanya and made them available to needy immigrants without cost, which they can later purchase when they become self-sufficient.

"The UJA is concerned with retaining Canadians who have made aliyah, and has established a mortgage-loan fund for Canadians who don't have the means to purchase homes. The funds are made available at cost over a 25-year period." Marcus said that this was Gordon Brown's "brainchild."

Other projects implemented during Brown's term of office were a professional loan fund, grants for university students, and maintenance of old age homes and Youth Aliyah schools.

A number of Canadians plan to provide pre-kindergarten facilities and youth recreation centres in areas populated by immigrants with funds collected in addition to the campaign.

Brown said that previous temporary housing facilities in leased homes and hotels were too costly and that there was a need for absorption centres in every city in Israel.

He added that the construction of absorption centres by Canadians "will also create an image for Canadian Jews to identify with when they visit Israel."

Ottawa kosher butchers to reduce their prices

By RUTH KAHANE

OTTAWA —
People who have given up keeping kosher will be encouraged to give it a second try now that Ottawa's kosher butchers have made an agreement with the local Vaad Hakashruth to cut their prices for a three-month trial period.

The reduction, amounting to about 10% will apply to cash-and-carry customers. To institute the price cuts on a long-term basis, the majority of present customers will have to stop having their meat delivered and business will have to increase by 15%.

Neither of the two kosher butchers — the Ottawa Kosher Meat Market and Joe's Kosher Meat Market — had cash-and-carry sales before.

At present, there are about 450 households patronizing Ottawa's two kosher meat markets Low volume sales and the higher cost of meat-in-general in Ottawa, have made prices out of reach for many.

Before the change in prices, the cheapest cut of meat, front, sold for $1.25 a pound, while the most expensive, veal roll, was $3.25 a pound.

There were several families buying their meat from Toronto and Montreal, and even with the added cost of transportation, they were saving money. Now, with the reduction in prices that will put Ottawa's on par with those of Montreal and Toronto, it is hoped that they will buy locally.

Initially, both butchers were highly skeptical about people changing their buying habits. "We are taking a tremendous risk. The added cost will go to the butchers for the next few months," Benjamin Zbar, owner of the Ottawa Kosher Meat Market told **The Canadian Jewish News.**

But by the end of the first week of cash-and carry sales, they were more optimistic. Joe Lichtenstein, owner of Joe's Meat Market, said he saw one good sign. "One customer who has been buying from me for years and paying only twice a year, came into the store this week and paid cash down."

A cross-section of women in the Jewish community have formed a Kosher Meat Promotion Committee, and Mrs. Jan Shinder, their newly appointed chairman, said they will be encouraging people who have given up kashruth "to give it a try again." They also want to encourage young married couples to buy kosher meat.

The committee is contacting Jewish organizations, and passing the word on to individuals by phone calls and word-of-mouth. As well, to announce the change in costs, Dr. Baruch Diena, chairman of the Ottawa Vaad Hakashruth sent an information letter to the Jewish Community.

Both Mrs. Shinder and Dr. Diena are highly optimistic. They said they have received several calls in response to the announcement and feel the community is "tremendously interested."

Jews should boycott Cuba, declares Rabbi Monson

By WANDA LOUISE
TORONTO —
No Jew should set foot in Cuba because that country has a contigent of sodiers on the Golan Heights re-inforcing Syrian troops, says Rabbi David Monson.

"One hundred Jews left on a vacation for Cuba last week. Wait till I get my hands on them," the Beth Sholom rabbi told the annual campaign dinner of the Histadrut at Beth Tzedec Sunday. He made his remarks in a speech thanking Sol C. Chaikin, New York City union leader, who was the main speaker at the event.

Chaikin, who is a lawyer, general secretary-treasurer of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and a vice-president of the AFL-CIO's Industrial Union Department, reminded his listeners that although some trade unionists are Jewish, it is predominantly a gentile movement.

"For a steel worker in Pittsburgh or a dock worker in New York City or a Canadian worker on the Great Lakes, a love of Israel does not come easy. It does not come with mother's milk or their faith or their blood. But it does come with understanding.

Chaikin stated that non-Jews in the movement hav a bond of sympathy for the proletariat-spirited Israeli pioneers of the 1920's who got together to form a labor movement called the Histadrut, at a time when there were no mines, mills or factories in Israel. He said that the Histadrut, starting its second half century of service, was founded an an organization to teach workers how to build a future state where everyone contributed his own strength.

Chaikin declared: "Histadrut supplied the guts, the push, the drive; supplied the thinking, the infrastructure dedicated to egalitarianism, dedicated to social justice, dedicated to advance the interests of Jews the world over."

Chaikin pointed out that not one Arab land is there a free trade union.

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Return state's gift to us

Convention gives Zionists opportunity to stand by Israel in time of need

Tourism is still Israel's largest net foreign currency earner. And for a country whose foreign currency reserves are diminishing and whose general economy is hard pressed, this is very important.

Yet, that's not what tourism is all about. There can be no Jew now, anywhere, who does not realize that there can be no Jewish existence now, anywhere, without a strong and secure state of Israel. It is Israel and her people who have removed from us the stigma of subservience and obsequiousness and given us a new image and a new pride. What Israel gave us we must now give back to her in her time of need.

She and her people are isolated now as never before and there was never a time more important for Diaspora Jewry to be in Israel than now. Not out of sympathy for their hardships but as a display of our solidarity with her.

Canadians can be proud of their record in this regard. We were amongst the first to be in Israel following the Yom Kippur War. From amongst all the countries only South Africa can boast, along with Canada, that tourism has been on the increase since the war. Canadians are greatly respected and royally received in Israel. It is a record of which we are justly proud.

It is for this reason that the Zionist Organization of Canada is to be congratulated for holding its 41st national convention in Israel at this time. Israelis by and large don't know much about Zionism in the Diaspora — except perhaps that the Zionist sends in a cheque once a year. Because the fate of Jews all over the world is inter-woven, Israelis should know more about what Jews (Zionist) are doing and thinking just as Jews outside of Israel should know something about the problems of life in the state. And there are serious issues affecting both communities that leadership should discuss openly and frankly

Apart from a most reasonable price, the convention tour is offering a variety of receptions and luncheons and the opportunity to meet and hear such outstanding personalities as Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, President Ephraim Katzir, Shimon Peres and Yigal Allon. Choice of tours will be available so as to cater to first-time visitors as well as seasoned tourists.

Yes, fly the Canadian flag in Israel, but more importantly, show Israelis that Canadian Jewry cares.

Money woes should not be allowed to kill stimulating Israeli publication

The average North American man in the street has probably not heard of **New Outlook**, a fine English language publication that has been published in Israel for the 18 financially-troubled years. Edited by Simha Flapan, a Mapam veteran as well as a well-known commentator of Middle Eastern affairs, **New Outlook** remains one of the most intelligent and stimulating English magazines coming out of Israel today, its restricted readership notwithstanding.

Published monthly, **New Outlook's** objective is to clarify the complex web of issues that entangle the Middle East, to encourage "creative co-operation" between Jews and Arabs and to reflect the economic, social and cultural endeavors which could — with the advent of peace — promote "general well being" in the area. Although its political orientation is to the left of the ruling Mapai party, **New Outlook's** pages have always been opened to literate and logical opinions and beliefs.

Considering the high intellectual standards to which it is devoted, it is hardly a coincidence that **New Outlook** has attracted a distinguished editorial council and board of directors. Indeed, the most illustrious names in Israeli life serve the magazine.

But in spite of the support it has garnered from the intellectual community, **New Outlook's** fortunes have alternately risen and declined, with financial and political problems haunting it throughout the years. As the editor put it in a recent issue: " ... it has not always been easy to continue publishing because of all kinds of ideological pressures and a perennial shortage of funds."

In an attempt to strengthen its chances of survival, **New Outlook** recently launched a public relations program called Friends of New Outlook, the purpose of which is to give the magazine a broader scope of activity, provide it with new ideas and encouragement and help widen its reach.

The events since the Yom Kippur War underline the significance and prime importance for a periodical capable of courageously examining the issues critically. In these days of political uncertainty and political dislocation, constructive criticism is far more helpful to Israel than blind or thoughtless mouthings.

New Outlook is not just another Israeli periodical; it is the voice of calm reason — and courage — in a nation where vital issues are often clouded by blatant political or party biases.

In the next few months, **New Outlook** intends to enlarge the scope of its operation by publishing Hebrew and Arabic editions as well as by organizing symposiums and study groups to debate Middle East problems. It will be a pity if **New Outlook** is unable to carry out these activities or, infact, falters altogether merely because it lacks money.

UN sleeps on terrorism proposal

In the wake of the shock and consternation triggered by the cold-blooded murder of Israeli athletes at Munich's Olympic Games, a feeling of revulsion and anger swept across the civilized world. UN Secretary General Waldheim, reacting to the atrocity, which demeaned Palestinian nationalism once again, plucked up the courage to submit a daring proposal to curb the spread of terrorism.

But the proposal, studied by a 35-nation special committee in the summer of 1973, has not been acted upon and, in fact, was recently shelved by the general assembly's legal committee for yet another year.

Ironically enough, the proposal itself is hardly anti-Arab or anti-terrorism, a fact which perhaps some of its opponents have conveniently overlooked in a haste to be politically fashionable. In point of fact, conflicting ideologies are clearly reflected in the proposal's official heading: "Measures to prevent international terrorism which endangers or takes innocent human lives or jeopardizes fundamental freedoms and study of the underlying causes of those forms of terrorism and acts of violence which lie in misery, frustation, grievance and despair and which cause some people to sacrifice human lives, including their own, in an attempt to effect radical changes."

According to authoritative UN reports, Western European nations are said to be reluctant to debate terrorism at this time. Undoubtedly, they fear an Arab oil backlash. It is, therefore, to West German's credit and moral stature that she was one of the few countries in West Europe which deplored the postponement of the debate on terrorism.

Israel's delegate to the UN, Shebtai Rosenne, aptly summarized the attitude of the UN's legal committee. He lambasted the committee for devoting an inordinate amount of time to haggling over parking problems of diplomats in New York City, but shying away from considering acts of violence which terrorize the world.

When will the UN awake from its slumber?

Memory of opera great will live on

Richard Tucker is dead, and the world is much the poorer for his untimely passing at the age of 60. He was a superb artist, one of the world's greatest tenors and he received acclaim wherever he appeared in leading operatic roles.

Richard Tucker was more than a renowned singer; he was a man who cherished his faith and lived up to its precepts. On the most sacred days of the Jewish calendar, he was to be found serving as a synagogue cantor, and Jewish communities everywhere vied for his services. He gave freely of his time for good causes and his magnificent voice frequently rang out on behalf of Israel.

The noted tenor was no stranger to the Toronto Jewish community. He sang to a capacity audience here last December. Several years ago, he attended Sabbath services at Beth Tzedec Synagogue and when the Metropolitan Opera Company played at Maple Leaf Gardens, he was called to the reading of the Haftorah at Beth Tzedec.

Richard Tucker is gone, but the voice, like that of many other great vocalists of the past, will continue to thrill countless thousands of his admirers.

A weekly Torah class in boardroom unravels the intricacies, paradoxes and mysteries of Judaism

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
CJN Staff Reporter

Rabbi Erwin Schild (head of table) of Adath Israel leads a unique weekly Torah study session in downtown Toronto. From left are Charles T. Kline, Morris Appleby, Barry Naiberg, Ann King, Frank Shostack, Carl Goldstein, Ben Marks, Dr. Gerald Weisbrod, Evelyn Goldfarb, Ron Cowitz and Ruben Kamen. Started in November, the torah sessions were initiated by the rabbi. (Jacob El-Baz photo)

TORONTO —

Frank Shostack's boardroom at the Canada Life Building in downtown Toronto is bathed in an aura of holiness every Wednesday afternoon.

On that particular day, Rabbi Erwin Schild presides over a weekly Torah class in which the etheral as well as down-to-earth intricacies, paradoxes and mysteries of Torah and Midrash are analysed, and hopefully, rendered clear and comprehensible to a diverse group of eager neophytes.

Rabbi Schild, spiritual leader of Adath Israel Synagogue, a Conservative congregation, believes that his class, tailored to the special needs of busy professionals and businessmen, is one of the few of its kind on the North American continent.

Twenty-four businessmen, lawyers, chartered accountants, stockbrokers, physicians, students and housewives delve into Torah each Wednesday afternoon between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30. The program was inaugurated last November. An excerpt from a Torah portion is discussed at each session.

"It has always been a Jewish ideal to combine Torah studies with one's occupation," said Rabbi Schild the other day in his study. "We feel it's a convenient and painless way to give up a lunch hour."

He smiled. "If you're of a mystical frame of mind, you can say that the Canada Life Building has been waiting for this opportunity a long time!"

The novel concept was born during one of Rabbi Schild's High Holiday sermons last October. Ten congregants signed up for the first session, but the size of the class doubled after a few sessions

Asked why he started the program, Rabbi Schild replied: "A synagogue has to be innovative these days, it must reach into the community."

He added: "People today are exposed to all sorts of things, the excitement of travel, creative recreation, sports. So you've really got to hustle to keep up with these activities."

"Besides, Torah study is traditional," he said. "Work and study were always combined in the past."

What motives impelled Rabbi Schild's pupils, whom he describes as "intelligent people who appreciate intellectual efforts," to match their wits with Torah?

One student, who prefered to remain anonymous, explained: "The Torah is something which theoretically guides the lives of Jews, but we know so little about it." She admitted that she had never studied Torah prior to joining Rabbi Schild's class.

Another participant, of Gerald Weisbrod, said one of his motives was that "education never hurt anyone."

Rabbi Schild, who hopes other synagogues here will adopt his Torah program, does not expect his pupils to become instant experts. "We do it for the sake of study. What better way to fill your time with value?"

Redemption of firstborn with five shekels is bargain

By RABBI DR. REUVEN P. BULKA

OTTAWA —

Everyone is aware of the high cost of living and the added cost for Jews of fulfilling many "mitzvot." Whilst there are many precepts which cost money, nevertheless there are few precepts wherein one is obligated to spend a specific amount of money. For example, tefilin, mezuzot and lulavim cost money but there is no rule saying the minimum one must spend for these articles. Of course, 'what you pay for is what you get' applies here as well.

One exception to this is the mitzvah of Pidyon Haben, redeeming the firstborn. As is well-known, one must redeem the first born by giving five shekels to the Kohen. "And their redemption money — from a month old you shall redeem them — shall be, according to your valuation, five shekels of silver, of the shekel of the sanctuary — which is 20 gerahs." (Bamidbar 18:16).

But, what is a shekel? According to the accepted view, the five shekels one gives to a Kohen must add up to at least 109 grams of silver. This is the middle view which has become the accepted one, whilst other views range from 94 grams of silver to 124 grams of silver. For Canadians, the question is 'how much silver content is there in Canadian silver dollar?'

Recently I went to the source, the Royal Canadian Mint, and found out some interesting information. From 1935 — 1967, the Canadian silver dollar had a weight of 23.3 grams and a silver content of 80%, which means effectively that each coin had 18.64 grams of silver. Accordingly, six coins would yield a little less than 112 grams, which would be enough to fulfil the requirements for Pidyon Haben. However, and this is important, from 1968 — 1970 inclusive, Canadian coin dollars had no silver content. Fortunately from 1971 to the present, the Canadian silver dollar, again weighing 23.3 grams, had a 50% silver content. (note that not all coins from 1971 on had silver, only some, and others are all nickel.)

Using coins from 1971 to the present, one would need 10 pieces to reach the 109 gram silver content minimum. Of course, the mathematician would be able to manipulate various combinations of the older coins and the newer coins to reach the 109 gram standard. It is important to beware that five Canadian silver dollars of any type do not meet the requirements and that only combinations adding up to 109 grams of silver or more can result in proper Pidyon — redemption.

Bringing up-to-date the modern equivalent of the Biblical shekel is important in order to link qualitatively as well as quantitatively with the Biblical notion of Pidyon; redemption. The state of Israel, aware of the importance of this precept and of the changing values of money, has minted a Pidyon Haben set of coins which is available in Toronto from Holy Land Judaica, 3018 Bathurst Street. These coins fulfil the requirements beyond any question.

In reflecting upon the biblical requirement of five shekels and the fact that today, with the compounded processes of inflation that we have gone through, it is still possible to fulfil the mitzvah of Pidyon Haben with six silver dollars, one can say that Pidyon Haben remains truly one of the great bargains of our time.

Dr. Bulka is rabbi of Congregation Machzikei Hadas, Ottawa.

Letters to the Editor

'U.S. Orthodoxy in identity-crisis'

Dear Editor:

Your report on the convention of the Orthodox Synagogues in Miami was both interesting and enlightening (**CJN** Dec. 13). It seems that Orthodoxy in America is undergoing an identity-crisis: the traditional world of the yeshivas and other right-wingers pushing toward separatism, orthodox self-reliance and opting out of the Synagogue Council; and the Yeshiva/University movement pushing to the left toward a rapprochement with Conservative and Reform, and maximum union in umbrella-organizations like Synagogue Council and Boards of Rabbis.

It is especially gratifying to see the increasingly aggressively progressive Rabbinical Council of America spearheading this move of steering Orthodoxy toward the golden middle path upon which all Jewish denominations can converge. The RCA under the former and incumbent leadership of Rabbis Bernstein and Schonfeld respects and heeds the call for unity from their Conservative and Reform colleagues.

Like its parent-organization, the Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, the RCA strives increasingly to enter into dialogue and wide-ranging coalitions with the left. Especially encouraging is the action by RCA President Schonfeld to set up a Beth Din (Rabbinic Court) in alliance with the conservatives and reformers to solve the 'Who is a Jew' — problem.

In these days of emergency we cannot afford any divisions. The Mizrachi in Israel wisely set the tone by its decision to overlook and suspend indefinitely all policies that differentiate it from other Zionist parties in order to join Premier Rabin's cabinet. The national RCA, and, hopefully the UOCA, follows in this path.

What a pity, though, that our fair city of Toronto lags so far behind, in this ideal of national unity. The members of the Toronto branch of the RCA ignore their leadership and are unrepentant in their separatism. Rabbi Kerzner was the chief spokesman for the separatists at the Synagogues convention in Miami. Rabbi Schochet, in a recent lecture, was still unwilling to recognize Reform and Conservative Judaisms. And Rabbi Berglas still obstructs Orthodox participation in the Toronto Board of Rabbis. Are private prejudices more important than national unity in these days of threats and danger?

I suggest that the national RCA do some housecleaning and enforce discipline on its policies on the local levels as much as on the national level, and then we may see the realization of the Messianic 'Kol Yisrael chaverim!'

J. Kushmier
Willowdale.

Dear Editor:

Blind faith is asking too much from people who are trusting when priests, ministers or rabbis officiate at weddings.

Will our churches, temples, and synagogues ever introduce study courses on the rights and responsibilities that go with a marriage certificate?

Enlightenment by clergymen on the religious and the provincially legislated family laws, and the Canadian divorce and re-marriage laws that deal with matrimonial disputes is long overdue.

H. Max Selden,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

We were most pleased to read the article welcoming the Jewish Renaissance Theatre to Toronto. Their presence will surely be an important addition to our Yiddish community.

We would like to add that though there is a need for professional theatre in Toronto, for the last four years an amateur theatre group, The Toronto Yiddish Drama Group has been in existence. Our membership includes people of all ages, occupations and varying degrees of fluency in Yiddish.

Among our productions to date have been **Greene Felder** (by Peretz Hirshbein), **Olem Habah**, (Sholem Aleichem), **By'me Gosses Tzoom Kopens** (Y.L.Peretz), and **Dokter** (Sholem Aleichem). We have appeared at the St. Lawrence Centre representing the Yiddish community in the Multicultural Festival, on television in Hamilton's Jewish Community Centre, and of course, at various locations in Toronto.

Anyone interested in further information may call Bess Shocket at 363-7190 or 787-0526.

Toronto Yiddish Theatre
Toronto

Dear Editor:

I am very grateful to you for your editorial of Jan. 3 dealing with the Holocaust.

I was recently appointed chairman of this committee for the Canadian Jewish Congress and have been motivated by precisely the same sentiments that you express. Having acknowledged the fact that the farther we remove ourselves in time from the event, the more obscure does its memory become, we are obsessed by the urgency of doing something to perpetuate the memory of the Holocaust while there are still survivors in our midst who can bear personal testimony.

It is with this in mind that I have presented to my committee a three-pronged program. (1) Conducting personal interviews with survivors so as to accumulate first hand records of life and events in various centres of Europe. It is hoped that these will eventually be preserved in a suitable publication. The creation in Toronto of a Holocaust Museum; something along the lines of the magnificent museum at Lochamei Hagetaot in Israel. Nothing is more impressive than the visual impact. This is an ambitious undertaking but one which I consider to be indispensable. It will require public as well as Congress support. (3) The writing of a Holocaust Hagaddah to establish a brief home service together with a synagogue worship on the eve of Yom Hashoah. If accepted and installed as an integral part of the observance on the 27th of Nissan (Yom Hashoah) this will, probably more than anything else, ensure that the memory of the Holocaust will be preserved.

There are, in addition, other things that can be done in the schools and synagogues, but the above is the main thurst of our program. If anyone is interested in participating or assisting in this program, please call the Congress office at 869-3811 and speak to Mr. Sam Resnick.

Max Goody,
Chairman,
Holocaust Committee,
Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region

Dear Editor:

On Nov. 15 you reproduced the minutes of the Hebrew Free Loan Association, dated Dec. 7, 1922. At that meeting a provisional board of directors was elected.

It is interesting to note that the people selected were senior members of Toronto Lodge B'nai B'rith which was so largely instrumental in launching the association.

Montague Raisman,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

Allow me to congratulate **The Canadian Jewish News** and the adult education committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress for your decision to start publicizing the Calendar of Adult Education and Cultural Events in **The CJN** on a monthly basis.

I am sure that this will be of great help and interest to the community at large in providing them with a ready made reference and guidance to the many worthwhile activities carried out by the different organizations and synagogues in Metro Toronto and Vicinity.

I consider this to be a step in the right direction for the simple reason that it will reach more Jewish homes than previously done through the old system.

Yesher Koach and may you continue the good work.

Henry Cohen-Sittayoun,
Executive Director.
Labor Zionist Alliance,
of Toronto.

ask the rabbi

Use of telephone on the Sabbath is questionable

1. Is there any halachic reason for not answering a telephone which rings in one's home on a Shabbat or festival? After all, the receiver has not initiated the impulse which opens the line.

In my opinion, a good case can be made out for using the telephone on the Shabbat and certainly on a festival but it is only right to record that the vast majority of Orthodox rabbis (possibly, all Orthodox rabbis) forbid it. From the way you formulate the question (initiating the impulse) means that it is in order to answer the telephone.

But, by answering the telephone, the receiver of the call is assisting the one who telephones to commit his halachically inadmissable act and to assist another to do wrong is itself a wrong.

This would not apply where the caller is known to be a non-Jew (say, where an arrangement has been made for him to call at a particular time) but in all probability the Orthodox rabbis would argue that the telephone is muktzeh in any event and must not be handled.

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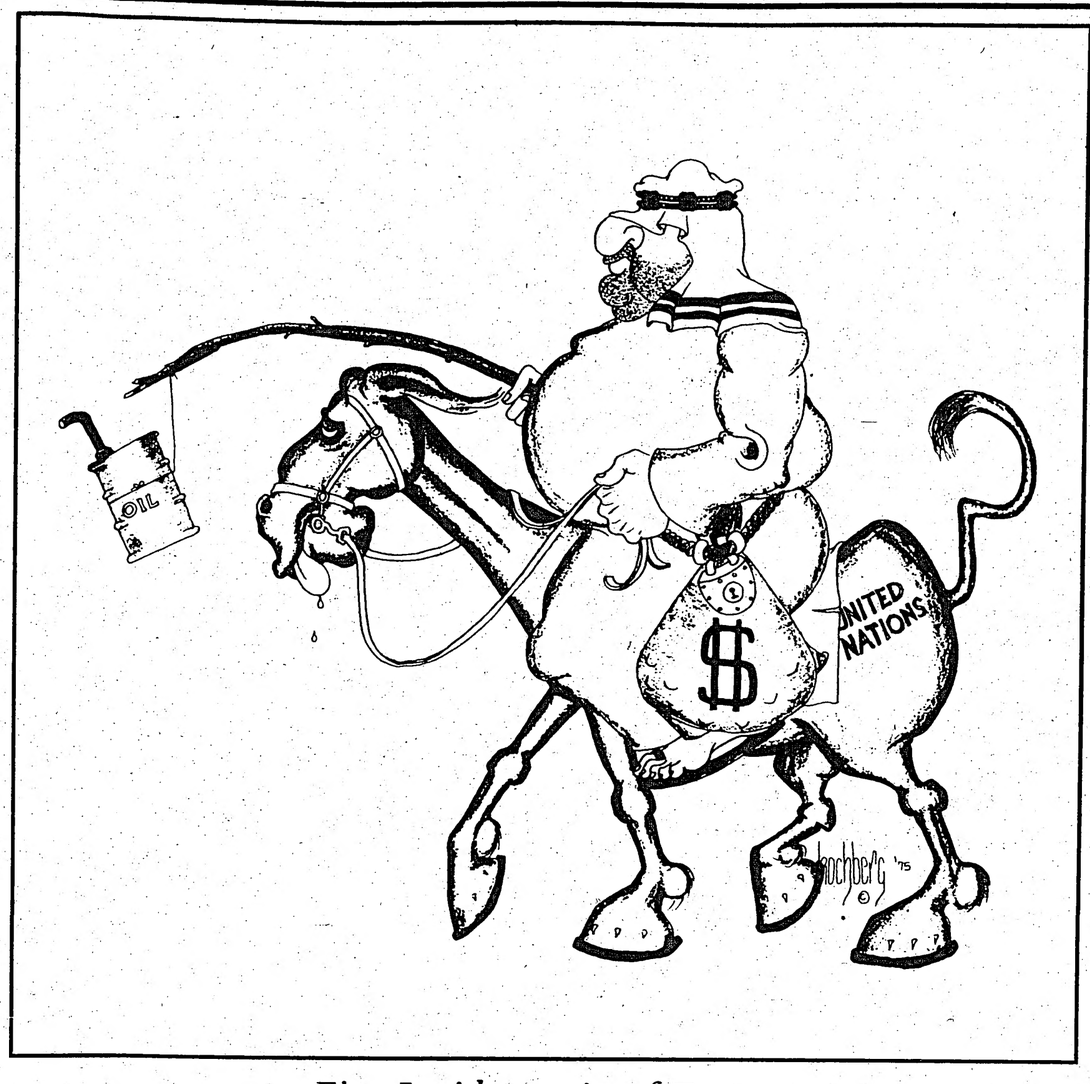

Torah is greatest mitzvah of all but every Jew has his own temple which he must keep pure and holy

sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Bo

Lail sheemurim hu la'Hashem ... It was a night of watching unto the L — rd ...

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What is a Jew? A person who is not satisfied until he feels someone else's pain like his own ...

Once the son of the **tzadik**, Rabbi David of Laluv, became very ill. All the townspeople gathered to pray and say **Tehillim** for the youngster. After a day the child recovered, and the Chassidim went to share in their Rabbi's joy ... Instead, they found him crying. "What's the matter?" they asked. The saint answered ... "When my son was sick, everyone rushed to pray for him. But when a child of a simple Jew is in the same condition, does anyone make such a fuss about it? How can I not cry? ..." **(Sipuray Chassidim)**

Every Jew is a "tzadik's son" ... previous in the eyes of the Almighty. But sometimes a person falls away from the **Ribono Shel Olam**, finds himself trapped by bad habits ... He says to himself, "how can I ever change my ways, they're so ingrained ..."

But the Almighty always gives a way. When the Jews were in Egypt, they fell to the lowest depths. Moses wondered — "how will I ever convince them to perform even one mitzvah?" The Almighty told him — "this is how you break their habits. When you give them the mitzvah of eating the Passover meal, don't give them an extra minute to think about it ... **Va'achaltem oto b'cheepazon** — tell them to grab the mitzvah — later they can sit down and make sense out of it ..."

Every day, the Almighty opens a door for us Jews to do **teshuvah.** How? When a Jew who has not gone to shul for years suddenly feels sad about it, that is a direct person to person call from the Almighty saying, "come back ..." A Jew should grab the opportunity ... run to shul, right then, without waiting ... or put on tephillen, or put out the cigarette on Shabbos — whatever the decision is about — without asking questions. Later, he can figure out the "logic" ... (Rabbi Tzadok Cohen of Lublin)

The only way a Jew can bind himself wholly to G—d, is by keeping the mitzvahs. When Moses came to Pharaoh and asked that the Jews be allowed to serve G—d in the desert, Pharaoh said, "fine — **rack tzonchem u'vekarchem yutzag** ... Go ahead, but why do you need to take your animals? Isn't it enough just to meditate in your minds, or with your lips?" Moses answered — "There's no way. The Almighty wants us to serve him completely, even with our bodies, by performing the mitzvahs. Without mitzvahs, a Jew is like an **unbaked cake** ..." **(Hayehudi Mee'Parshischa)**

The greatest mitzvah of all is studying Torah. Why? Otherwise, how will a person know how to fulfill the commandments? But there's something even more ... Just as we Jews had the Temple in Jerusalem, so also every Jew has a Temple his mind. That Temple must be kept pure and holy. But how can we do that when all around there are so many distractions, work, worries, entertainments, pleasures ... How shall our **saychel** be filled with the **Or**, light of the Almighty. Only by Torah ...

All Torah is incredibly wonderful. But the readers of this column may be interested to know that there is a group of Jews who have taken upon themselves to study each day a special schedule of two paragraphs from the Holy **Mishneh**, and three **halachot** — laws — from the **Shulcha Aruch.** Imagine, a thousand Jews, from Jerusalem to California, studying the same precious words — which only takes a few minutes each day — joining their **neshamas** together in serving the **Ribono shel Olam.** What a **zchus** for our people in their time of peril! Those who are interested in joining this project can contact this writer, and you will receive a schedule of what to study every day. And if you need help in studying the sacred texts, this too can be worked out.

May the Almighty redeem us today as he did in Egypt of old. Shabbat Shalom.

Please note our new Sparks from the Torah TV schedule: *Metro Cable, Mondays at 7:30, Wednesdays at 5; York Cable, Tuesdays at 8; Willow Downs Cable, Tuesdays at 8:30; Keeble Cable, Thursdays at 8.*

First Jewish premier of France

Leon Blum 'lived a life full of honors,' but also suffered as a victim of Nazism

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

On Jan. 16, 1947, normalcy returned to the government as the first constitutional president of the Fourth French Republic took office, enabling the premier who headed the stop-gap government to resign.

This was the third time he held the premiership, the first time being in 1936 when he became the first socialist and first Jew to be premier of France.

The man was Leon Blum.

By the time Blum left the premiership for the last time, three years before his death at the age of 77, he had lived a life full of honors and hardships that was difficult to match in French history.

His personal life started off idyllically enough. Born into a comfortable Alsatian bourgeois family, he soon displayed talents as a creative writer and literary critic that eased his entrance into salon society. His first marriage produced his only child, Robert.

Then tragedy struck. His first two wives died and his third, Jeanne Levilliers, married Blum in 1943 while he was interned at Buchenwald.

Then, too, there was the assassination of his close friend, passionate socialist Jean Jaures. The tragedy turned Blum into a political activist and he entered the Chamber of Deputies as a socialist in 1919.

Growing side by side Blum-the-socialist, was Blum-the-Jew. As the Nazi goose step began resounding across Europe, he cautioned French Jews: There is no example in history that anyone has ever gained security through cowardice ..."

When the swastika flew over the Arc de Triomphe and Marshall Petain and his Vichy cohorts took over, Blum was arrested and tossed about from prison to prison for five years.

But Jews elsewhere did not forget him. They remembered his Zionist activities and how he had helped found the French Socialist Pro-Palestine committee in 1928.

While Buchenwald was turning the once debonair, emaculate, epitome of a French gentleman, into a mere physical shadow of his former self (despite this, he still tried to keep in touch with the French resistance), a group of Jews in Palestine remembered him by naming their new kibbutz, Kfar Blum.

During those bleak days before American troops would rescue him in the Tyrolian Alps in May, 1945, and before he would return to the adoration of his countrymen, he kept his spirits alive with words he had written much earlier in his life:

"There is no Happiness, but there are happinesses, those of each age of life, those of each hour of the day, those of each movement of the heart, the spirit, and the body."

These are some of the Canadian students attending the Michlalah — the Jerusalem College for Women. From left are Debbie Stern of Montreal, Ruth Tenenbaum, Rae Nussbaum, Hinda Kurtz, Evelyne Moskowitz and Richama Nussbaum, all of Toronto and Tamar Rabinovitch of London, Eng., formerly of Toronto, and Tova Bensabath of Montreal. Some Canadians missed the photographic session.

An Alrightnik has no principles and for him ethics are 'shmetics'

By J.B. SALSBERG

(Second of two columns)

My uncle Eliezer was both pleased and surprised by last week's column on the Alrightniks and the Alrightnitses in our midst.

He was pleased, he said, by the large number of people who sought him out, on his usual walks up and down the mainstreet of Toronto Jewry, to talk to him about that column.

As for his friends, the old timers who meet regularly at the steam-bath every Thursday evening, they were, according to my uncle, "in the seventh heaven of delight."

According to uncle Eliezer, they felt they had a direct hand in that column. "It's true," emphasized my uncle when he thought that he detected a smile on my face, "after all, it was that group of old timers that first discussed the problem and it was they, on the suggestion of Mendle, who decided to ask you to write about the Alrightniks."

At any rate, my uncle's steam-bath cronies celebrated the occasion by having an extra drink, as Mendle proposed, as a sort of toast to last week's column.

But my uncle was surprised to find that an unexpectedly large number of the younger generation, located on Bathurst St. and its environs, had forgotten the meaning of Alrightnik. "Imagine," he said to me in surprise, "in one short generation they have already forgotten and at a time when a new breed of Alrightniks are multiplying all around us!" To remedy this situation my uncle has diligently prepared a guidebook for the recognition of Alrightniks and Alrightnitses at a glance.

You guessed it; he and his group want me to make his manual on Alrightniks available to our readers. I consented to reproduce some, but not all, of his helpful advice to the young since the editor would surely call a halt to my efforts to extend this theme into more than two columns. But before I turn this space over to my uncle I must make a few general observations myself.

A generation or two ago, every intelligent Jew in North America knew what an Alrightnik was. And it was no compliment to anyone who was labelled as one of those. Indeed, it was a critical, sarcastic and derogatory characterization. Yes, it used to be an abusive term to use against anyone. Why?

Because an Alrightnik was (and, of course, still is) a person who possesses no guiding set of principles or values, except one "to get there." And to an Alrightnik, "there" was ahead of the one that's ahead of him. An Alrightnik spoke cynically of "ethics, shmetics," as if that was meant only for fools and the ne'er-do-wells. Such alone also had little, if any, respect for anyone but those whowere successful. He was ostentatious in everyting and his favorite expression was that "everything and everybody has a price." In short, an Alrightnik was (and still is, of course) an unattractive (if not detestable) fellow.

Having said that, I now turn over whatever space is left to a limited selection of my uncle Eliezer's characterizations of an Alrightnik. Here they go:

"An Alrightnik rarely, if ever, speaks of earning money, he usually speaks of making money. He also makes known his motto that everything he owns is for sale — at the right price ...

"An Alrightnik wants everything that's his to be not only 'King size' but, if at all possible, of super king size. That applies to his house, his car, his boat, his cigars, his swimming pool, etc. etc. etc. Modesty is not included in his vocabulary.

An Alrightnik demonstrates his contempt of those below him in many ways. He will, for instance, never stop his car at the white line when the traffic signal is red. He crosses that line as far as he can and he is not bothered by the fact that pedestrians have to detour around his auto in order to cross. In fact he enjoys it.

"An Alrightnik, even when in no particular hurry, will not tolerate the car that's ahead of him to stay ahead. Alrightnik will accelerate his engine, pass the car in front and then slow down to normal speed. If asked why he does such things, he will tell you frankly that he doesn't like being behind anyone."

Sorry, uncle Eliezer, but I must stop you now. It's the editor again — he with his measuring tape in one hand, scissors in the other and a sadistic smile on his lips — and he will begin slashing. But we will return to this theme again and again in the future, I assure you; especially about the effects of Alrightnikism on our organized communal life. But we made a beginning, didn't we, uncle?

Religious and secular studies

Women's college in Jerusalem performs vital national purpose

TORONTO —

"Michlalah" is a Hebrew word which means college. Its origin is from the word "Michlal" meaning completion or perfection.

In Israel, and more and more in other places throughout the world from Capetown to Melbourne and from Toronto to Buenos Aires, the word "Michlalah" is coming to mean a very specific and very special college — Michlalah Yerushalayim Labonot — The Jerusalem College for Women.

In 1963, a group of young educators headed by an Irish-born and educated rabbi, Dr. Yehuda Copperman, decided to ameliorate the shortage of skilled secondary school teachers by founding a three year teachers' training college in the Bayit Vegan section of Jerusalem. Beginning with a student body of 23 high school graduates, two rented apartments, and a staff of mostly volunteer teachers, Rabbi Copperman launched a program of Jewish studies.

The excellence of the faculty and the quality of its teaching attracted an ever-growing number of superior high school graduates to its student body. In 1969, the United States extended to the college an A.I.D. grant of one million dollars for the building of a modern campus. In 1973, the U.S. extended a second grant of $750,000 for further development of the college's new campus.

The program, under the administration of its founder and dean Rabbi, Dr. Yehudah Copperman, has grown to include a full range of studies with 166 full time and part-time faculty members and more than 375 courses. Departments now include Bible, oral law, Hebrew language and literature, English language and literature, the life sciences (biology, botany, chemistry, etc.) and mathematics. Its education department includes complete programs in teacher training, special education, guidance and counselling, and educational technology. A graduate department in Judaic Studies has just been opened. New programs in the development stage include library and computer sciences. The college offers a special one year foreign student program in Judaic studies.

According to Rabbi Henry Hoschander of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue here, the college blends religious and secular studies, and committed Jewish teachers conduct secular studies within the context of world knowledge. "This is where the strength of the school lies," he told **The Canadian Jewish News** in an interview.

The college performs a vital national function in supplying the country's remote development towns with trained and highly competent teachers. As a result of its mission to upgrade education among Oriental Jews in outlying communities, the college does not accept more than 50 overseas students every year, explained Rabbi Hoschander.

Registration of full time students in all of the college's departments reached the 500 mark this past September.

The college is presently located in three apartment buildings and two prefabricated, asbestos buildings. In addition, it rents laboratory and classroom facilities in neighboring institutions. The new campus, now under construction, will centralize all of the college's activities on a five acre site on a hillside in the Bayit Vegan section of Jerusalem. At present the lecture hall and administration centre, and 25 student housing units (each of five rooms) are nearing completion.

Future stages of development include additional housing for single students, a 52-unit apartment house for married students, a science and computor centre, a central library, auditorium-synagogue, gymnasium and indoor pool. The estimated cost of the total development program has recently been revaluated at five million dollars.

The Canadian Friends of Michlalah, based in Toronto, has done a great deal in supporting the scholarship program of the college. This year, 11 Canadian students are in full time attendance at the college.

Among the Canadian graduates who have filled teaching posts in Toronto are Naomi Rothschild and Rhona Epstein.

Rabbi Martin L. Applbaum, the director general of the college, will visit Canada during February.

Organizations and People

By MIRIAM HERMAN

what's new...

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY PROGRAM

Toronto's first library program specifically for Jewish children is being sponsored by the Jewish Public Library. **Creative Corner**, for pre-schoolers and their mothers, will run Tuesdays from 2-3 p.m. and Tursdays from 10-11 a.m. at the library, beginning Feb. 4. A program of story telling, songs, arts and crafts, and games will be headed by Roslyn English. Registration is set for Sunday Jan. 26, and Feb. 2, from 11 a.m. to noon. As enrollment will be limited, it will be on a "first come, first serve" basis.

TEACH-IN ON ISRAEL

A Teach-In on current Israeli issues — oil, economic crisis, the Palestinians, terrorism, anti-Semitism — is being planned by the Student Mobilization for Israel to run simultaneously at York University and University of Toronto campuses on Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 12:30 p.m. This will be followed by a discussion session at 8:30 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. Participants will include Congress national executive director Alan Rose and Professors Norman May of Osgoode Hall Irwin Zeitler of U of T, and Irwin Cotler of McGill University.

ORTHODOX RABBIS TO MEET

The purpose of the Rabbinical Council of America's mid-year convention taking place in Washington, D.C. Jan. 19-22, will be to impress upon the American government the concern of world Jewry with the welfare of Israel in its present crisis. The council is the national Orthodox rabbinic body representing about 1,000 rabbis in Canada and the U.S. The agenda will include meetings with government officials, discussions on Israel and an address by renowned Talmudic scholar Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik. Representing local Orthodox rabbinate will be Rabbis Henry Hoschander of Shaarei Shomayim, and Samuel Stauber of B'nai Torah, president and vice-president respectively of the Council's Ontario Region.

OLIVER WITH A TWIST

Oliver with a new twist pretty well sums up the musical presentation being staged by Adath Israel Youth Community this Sunday evening, the 19th. Under the direction of Rabbi Robert Binder, the cast of 40 youngsters is giving the Dickens classic a Jewish slant, with the locale set in London's Jewish district and the songs sung in Hebrew. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. at the synagogue. As the notice says — "consider yourself" invited.

JUDY LaMARSH AND ISRAEL

On Tuesday, Jan. 21, Torontonians will have another chance to hear Judy LaMarsh talk about her recent trip to Israel. She is to be guest speaker at a meeting sponsored jointly by the Canadian Zionist Federation and Friends of Pioneering Israel. It takes place at 8:30 p.m. at the Zionist Centre.

FOR SENIORS

An afternoon of entertainment for senior citizems is being sponsored by the Association of Jewish Senior Clubs on Sunday, Jan. 19. The program will feature Yiddish humorist Morris Naftolin and singer Eva Fishman, accompanied by Fagel Gartner. Shaarei Shomayim Senior Club is hosting the event and it is being held at their synagogue at 1 p.m.

ZIONIST UNITY

Zionist Unity will be the subject under discussion at the Zionsts in Action meeting set for Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 8:30 p.m. at the Labor Zionist Centre on Viewmount Ave. Guest speakers will be Max Goody, deputy vice-president, Zionist Organizaion of Canada, and William Stern, regional director, Canadian Zionist Federation.

SEX AND MARRIAGE

For a no-nonsense look at the **Laws, Attitudes and Philosophy of Sexual Relationships in Jewish Marriage**, tune in on Metro Cable Channel 10 on Monday, the 20th, at 7:30 p.m. or on Wednesday, the 22nd, at 5 p.m. Three gals who have participated in many seminars on the subject, Bernice Friedman, Susan Gottesman and Phyllis Mayer, discuss the matter in a straight-forward manner, on a show taped under the auspices of the **Sparks from the Torah** program and the Jewish Marriage Education Committee.

MUSICAL EVENT

Adventures in Jewish Music, organized by B'nai Israel Beth David Congregation's cultural committee, for Thursday, Jan. 23, will feature musical authority Gordon Kushner as guest speaker, plus Cantor Tibor Kelen in a presentation of vocal selections. It takes place at 8:30 p.m. at the synagogue.

MOVIE FOR CHILDREN

One of the ways Adena Chapter of Toronto Hadassah-WIZO is raising funds for Youth Aliyah is by putting on a movie for children. They are arranging two showing of the modern color version of **Black Beauty** — at 1 and 3:30 p.m. — Sunday, Jan. 19, at Seneca College's Minkler Auditorium. Tickets be available at the door.

BINGO NIGHT

Wednesday, Jan. 22, is the date of the cash Bingo Night run by Sha'aron Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women. It is being held at Dufferin Heights Junior High School, Wilmington Avenue, beginning 8 p.m.

ABOUT ABORTION

Shaarei Shomayim's adult education program continues Wednesday, the 22nd, with a discussion on **Abortion — Mother Vs Fetus** by Rabbi Immanuel Shochet, Humber College philosophy department, and Dr. Esther Greenglass, York University psychology department. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue.

Y—ARTS COURSES

Registration is now open for all courses given by the Y—Arts Council of the YM-YWHA. Courses include classical ballet, drama, jazz, modern and creative dance, musical instrument and theory. There are classes for all ages, from beginners to advanced. Register at the Northern 'Y' (membership is not a requirement) or cal the 'Y' for further information.

...about people

Lilly Ronn

When **Lilly Ronn** was elected president of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women's Organization of Canada at their convention in Montreal recently, she was just following in the footsteps of her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. David Mayer. Originally from Vienna and Budapest, the Mayers were among a select group of Mizrachi leaders of central Europe and they made several trips to Palestine during the 1920s and 1930s before settling there in 1938. Mrs. Ronn, a past president of Mizrachi Women's Montreal Council now heads a national organization that has chapters in all major cities in Canada from Halifax to Vancouver. They maintain girls vocational schools and nurseries in Israel.

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Toronto artist **Gershon Iskowitz** and Maritimer **Eric Fischl** each have two canvasses in **The Canadian Canvas** art exhibit that opened at Musee d'Art Contemporain in Montreal this week. The exhibition is sponsored by **Time-Canada** magazine and displays paintings from each province. The show will tour throughout the country during the next 14 months. After a month in Montreal, it goes on to Quebec and then the Maritimes. It is scheduled to come to Toronto sometime in August.

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Yosef Hayim Yerushalmi will be coming from Harvard University where he is professor of Hebrew and of Jewish History, to give the annual Anne Pusitz Memorial lectures at Beth Tzedec Synagogue this weekend, Jan. 18-19. The author of several books on the history of Spanish and Portuguese Jewry, his theme will centre around **Portrait of an Age; The Flowering of Hebrew Poetry in Medieval Spain.** On Saturday morning he will speak from the pulpit on **Shmuel Ha-Nagid: Of War, and of Wine, and of God the Redeemer.** Then in the evening, at 8:30 p.m., he will talk about **Shlomo Ibn Gabirol: Yearning for the Absolute.** On Sunday at 10 a.m., he will lecture on **Yehudah Ha-Levi: Farewell to Andalucia.**

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CJN staffer **Janet Bok** has just told us of her engagement to **Raphael David**, with wedding plans set for September. Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Bok, looks after the paper's classified ads. Raphael is the son of Mr. Frank David of Sydney, Nova Scotia, and the late Mrs. David. He graduates in Radio Television Arts from Ryerson in May.

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Rabbi Harold Lerner of Pride of Israel Temple gave the invocation at the inaugural meeting of Metro Toronto Council on Tuesday.

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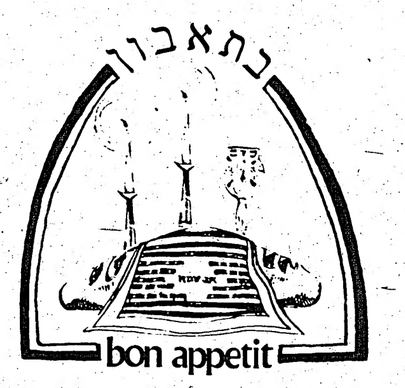
Murry Kopita, a retired industrial engineer with a penchant for song writing, (he has composed some 200 songs throughout the years), has written an inspirational piece called **God Bless The Land Of Israel.** He'd like to record it. "I feel that through this song, people will become more tolerant of Israel. Songs can perform miracles, I've seen it happen," he said. Mr. Kopita, a New Yorker who took up residence in Toronto last year, says that **God Bless The Land Of Israel** is a potential hit that can earn in excess of $250,000, half the proceeds of which he would donate to Israel.

Versatile avocado features many tasty dishes



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

The avocado pear is a relatively new fruit on the Israeli scene. A native of Mexico and Central America, the avocado, which grows on evergreen trees, was introduced into Israel and grown experimentally some years back. Now, as a highly successful export crop to European countries, the avacado has taken its place beside oranges and honeydew melons as a superlative Israeli fruit.

Avocados are cultivated on over 20,000 dunams of land in various regions in Israel, except in the mountains or in places with a severe winter.

The flesh of the fruit has a buttery texture and appearance and a bland, but subtly distinctive savor. As it is rich in nutrients — proteins, vitamins and oil — the Fruit and Marketing Board here, is currently mounting a campaign to press for higher consumption of avocados. Board representatives say that with butter at 20 Israeli pounds per kilogram, and white cheese at 15 Israeli pounds for the same quantity, avocado, at only 3.55 Israeli pounds, is quite a bargain.

Avocado exports are up 25% over last year. The director of Agrexco — Israel's agricultural export company said before the end of 1974, that approximately 6,000 tons of avocados would be exported during that year.

The avocado season lasts from October to May and four varieties of the fruit are grown: the Ettinger, which is large, pear-shaped and has a shiny, bright green skin and the Naval, which is bulbous with a less refined taste and a more watery flesh. (Incidentally, this is the only kind that I found available in Canada. It comes, in fact from California, and is definitely inferior to the varieties produced in Israel.

The other varieties: the Puerta and the Haas are smaller. The Puerta has a dull green skin and the Haas, easily recognizable by its dark, almost black skin and coarse, knobby appearance, has the most highly prized flavor of all the varieties.

Avocados have turned into almost a staple of Israeli diet, and appear on the table as anything from elegant hors d'oeuvres to baby food. (My son was introduced as an infant to avocados, served either mashed with a squeeze of lemon, or blended with cream cheese).

The pears are picked when still very hard and are allowed to ripen by themselves. If the fruit is purchased when still hard, leave it to ripen as you would hard summer fruit or green tomatoes, by leaving it in a fruit bowl or on a window sill. Avocados also ripen well wrapped in a sheet of newspaper.

Ripe fruit, (i.e. soft but resilient, like a ripe peach or pear) can be stored in the refrigerator for up till a week until you are ready to use it.

There are many ways of eating avocado, but my favorite is mashed roughly and heaped on slices of toasted wholemeal bread, with the addition of a sprinkling of salt and perhaps and squeeze of lemon juice.

The recipes given here, may require the addition of greater amounts of lemon juice and other flavorings to compensate for the somewhat sweetish taste of the avocados available in Canada.

Remember not to prepare any avocado dish too long in advance or discoloration will result.

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AVOCADO PARTY DIP

1 large, ripe avocado pear
1 level tbslp. finely minced onion
juice of 1/2 freshly-squeezed lemon
1 tblsp. mayonnaise
2 tblsp. light sour cream
pinch pure garlic powder
salt
dash tobasco sauce (optional)

1. mash the avocado flesh with the lemon juice very well and continue beating with the fork until smooth and creamy

2. add minced onion, salt and garlic powder. Stir in the mayonnaise and sour cream. Serve with thin crackers or carrot and celery sticks, crisped in iced water before serving

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AVOCADO AND ORANGE SALAD

2–3 large, ripe avocados
2 large oranges
fresh, crisp lettuce leaves for garnish
black olives
juice of freshly-squeezed lemon
salt
freshly-ground black pepper

1. rim a flat, oval or round platter with lettuce leaves. Peel the oranges and trim off the white pith carefully. Slice oranges thinly with a sharp knife and place them round the platter over the lettuce leaves

2. mash the avocados roughly with the lemon juice and salt. Fill the centre of the platter with the avocado and grind some black pepper over the top

3. smear some black olives with a little oil to keep them shiny and place one in the centre of each orange slice. Serve as an accompaniment to cold, roast poultry or beef

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AVOCADO HORS D'OEUVRES

3 small, ripe but firm avocados (1/2 per person)
lettuce leaves
1 medium can salmon
lemon juice
mayonnaise
salt
paprika
green olives
1 hardboiled egg, mashed well

1. place lettuce leaves on large serving platter or on individual hors d'oeuvres plates. Peel avocados, cut in 1/2 lengthways and remove the stone, taking care to keep the halves intact. Place the avocado halves atop the lettuce leaves

2. drain the canned salmon well, turn into a bowl and mash thoroughly, mix in the mashed hardboiled egg and add lemon juice, salt and mayonnaise to taste

3. place about 1 tblsp. of the salmon mixture into the avocado hollows and sprinkle with paprika. Top with a green olive. Serves 6

Another variation is to put peeled, chopped grapefruit segments into the hollows instead of the salmon mixture.

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Bygone era brought to vivid life in diary of medical student

By WANDA LOUISE

TORONTO —

Toronto's first Jewish radiologist, Dr. David Eisen, has just published a unique historical testimony to a bygone era of Canadiana in his **Diary of a Medical Student 1917 — 1922.**

Dr. Eisen was delighted to rediscover the valuable old manuscript when he was moving from his Elderwood Ave. home. When he retired from medical practice two years ago, he began to edit the diary, originally in two volumes, and added an introduction and explanatory notes. "The notes are to benefit younger members of the Jewish community and non-Jewish readers, who will also find the book of interest," he said

"It is not an introverted type of diary," the mild-mannered doctor added. "My diary is entirely historical and objective — about university life, the Jewish community and Toronto during World War I," Dr. Eisen also pointed out that his entries during the first two years of medical school fill more of the book's space than the last three years, when he was just too busy to write.

"I was off campus, I belonged to two Jewish social goups and I was inter-college champion of wrestling, at my weight, representing Toronto, Queen's and McGill Universities," Dr. Eisen remarked.

The Diary represents the early writing of a man who has now become recognized as one of Canada's leading Jewish historians. "I was the founder of the Toronto Jewish Historical Society in 1946 — the oldest continuing functioning historical society in Canada," he said proudly.

In 1956, Dr. Eisen began writing anecdotes about Toronto's Jewish history for the **Jewish Standard.** These articles included a complete series on Toronto's early Jewish doctors. Between 1965 — 1966, he wrote a succession of columns on **Jewish Settlers in Old Toronto.**

"Originally, I wanted to teach high school history, but no Jewish history teacher had as yet been appointed in Toronto in 1917," Dr. Eisen recalled wistfully. "My older brother advised me against that career because he felt I would probably have to live my whole life in a small town. He told me to go into a profession where I wouldn't have to ask anyone for a job."

Dr. Eisen is a rascinating man to listen to. In easy conversation he can immediately recount exact dates and names from pioneer Canadian Jewish history. He documented the first Jewish pharmacist in Canada as practising in 1866 and the first Jewish dentist as starting in 1845.

Delving through archives is such a labor of love for the doctor that, in 1965, together with Dr. K.I. Freeman, he started the Holy Blossom Temple archives committee.

"Time doesn't hang heavy on my hands now that I'm retired" he explained. "I have been writing a regular column about archive history in the Temple Bulletin for past seven years. I don't write out of my head. It's all based on research. I spend a lot of time in the Temple Library, digging up archive records, which date back to 1856. This hobby has done as much for me as it has for the community."

Dr. David Eisen's wife, Vera, is a past president of Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood. Their twin daughters, Joy Wolfson and Barbara Organ, are both graduate nurses. Dr. and Mrs. Eisen have eight grandchildren.

Dim view of mankind's future held by scientist

Rutgers University Anthropologist Robin Fox predicts mankind has between 50 and 200 years left on this planet.

The American professor, who is also director of research for the Guggenheim Foundation in New York, was participating in a panel discussion entitled **Must Mankind Be Doomed?**, part of a series of lectures and discussions in the four-day Technion-Wunsch International Symposium on Ethics in an Age of Pervasive Technology.

"More than 80% of the earth's known species have passed into extinction," Fox declared. "There is no reason to suppose that man as a species is exempt from this fate of natural law. This doomsday is only made more inevitable by our own mindlessness: our arms are too massive, making bigger and better wars, we're denuding the land and polluting the air we have to breath and we're reproducing uncontrollably."

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Dr. Victor Polsky (with beard) and his wife receive their immigration papers from police officers at Ben-Gurion Airport on arrival in Israel from the Soviet Union. The couple were allowed to leave the USSR after four years of struggle. (IPPA photo)

Stephen Speisman appointed Congress archives director

TORONTO — Stephen Speisman has been appointed full-time director of the archives department of the Central Region of Canadian Jewish Congress, according to a joint announcement by Milton Harris, chairman of the Central Region and Victor Sefton, chairman of the Archives Committee.

For the past year, Speisman has had part-time duties in this area, but as of Jan. 1 he has been engaged as a full-time staff member. He is married and 31, holds a master's degree in history from the University of Toronto and is a doctoral candidate in Canadian and American history.

His duties will include the collection and acquisition of archival material, its cataloguing and the preservation of all relevant material on the history of Jewish communities in this city and stimulation and co-ordination of such program in the province.

Stephen Speisman

Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg has been engaged as a chaplain by the Congress. He will serve the following institutions: Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto General Hospital, Sick Children's Hospital Women's College Hospital, Queen Street Mental Health Centre, North York General Hospital, and the Toronto Jail.

Rabbi Steinberg previously served as a chaplain in Boston and Saratoga Springs, N.Y. where he held pulpits. He was also rabbi in Regina, Sask. and was an educational director in Toronto.

Active in UJA drive

Seniors maintain busy schedule

TORONTO — If a deep sense of commitment and concern for the welfare of Jews in Israel is of significance, then the newly-formed seniors division of the United Jewish Appeal-Israel Special Fund ranks as one of the most active and successful, on a per capita basis, in the whole campaign setup.

The seniors hastily organized as a group during the emergency which followed the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War. In 1974 they set up their own UJA division with officers drawn from the Association of Jewish Senior Clubs, which is run under the auspices of Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly. Chairman of the division is Max Orlans, vice-chairman is Max Kalpin and the executive committee of six is composed of representatives of the various clubs of the AJSC.

The AJSC is comprised of 17 clubs with a membership totalling more than 2,000 and provides a rich untapped source of volunteers and canvassers. The seniors, who very much want to be part of the mainstream of Jewish life in the community, are greatly concerned with the lot of fellow Jews in Israel and have a great deal to contribute in terms of time and service to the overall campaign.

"As senior citizens citizens we are proud to be recognized in our rightful role as an important part of the community," Orlans says. "we welcome this opportunity to show our concern for the causes supported by UJA. We in turn commit ourselves to support the campaign to our maximum ability."

To date seven of the clubs have completed campaign activities and eight others have arranged fund-raising meetings in the next few weeks. Most of the groups have used their regular meetings to show films and have presented speakers on behalf of UJA. The division's culminating event for the campaign takes place on Feb. 12 at the Centre for Creative Living, at which time the guest speaker will be Israel Consul General Shmuel Ovnat.

Max Orlans

Max Kalpin

Correction

In our edition of Jan. 10, a story on Arkady Shindelman made reference to the fact that Leo Wigdorchik, his teacher, would become the best violinist in Canada. Due to a typographical error, the line should have read that Mr. Wigdorchik would become one of the best violin teachers in Canada. We regret our mistake and hope it did not inconvience anyone.

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In last week's **CJN** story on the announcement of the appointment of Rabbi Erwin Schild as CIC chairman, he was identified as former president of the Canadian section of the Rabbinical Assembly. That is incorrect. He is the present chairman of the Rabbincial Assembly, Canadian Division. The error was contained in a press release from Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region.

Women join protest over doctors term

TORONTO — Canadian Women have added a strong voice to the world-wide plea for justice for Dr. Mikhail Shtern, says Phyllis Sugar, chairman, Women for Soviet Jewry.

"Immediately following the eight-year sentence imposed on Dr. Shtern by the Ukraine court in the USSR, Women for Soviet Jewry sent waves of protest on his behalf to Premier Kosygin, President Podgorny Secretary-General Brezhnev, Procurator-General Rudenko and to the Russian ambassador to Canada, Alexander Yakovlev," Mrs. Sugar said.

Fifty telegrams were sent to denounce the flagrant injustice of his completely undeserved trial and imprisonment and to entreat that Dr. Shtern's liberty be restored. Dreadful harassment and persecution starts with a Jew's application for a visa to emigrate from the Soviet Union to Israel. This is a deliberate attempt to deter thousands of others with the same aspirations."

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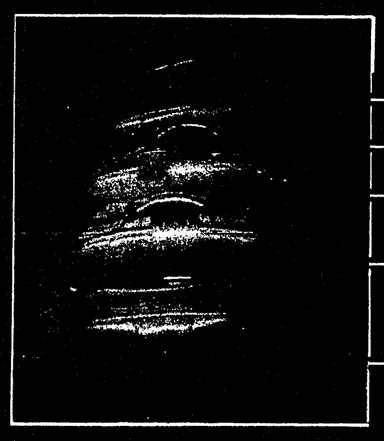

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Perry Romberg (right), social worker at the Jewish Family and Child Service, discusses the agency's Elderly Foster Homes Program with an 82-year-old client. The program matches lonely, elderly people with younger couples. (Jacob El-Baz photograph)

Love, interest shown to elderly by JF & CS adoption program

By Sheldon Kirshner
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO —

Perry Romberg, a social worker with Jewish Family and Child Service, compares his job with that of a marital matchmaker.

As co-ordinator of the Elderly Foster Home Program, Romberg strives to match lonely, elderly people with couples, preferably younger ones, willing to "adopt" them as members of their families.

Says Romberg, "We try to find families who are interested in providing shelter and love to an elderly Jewish person presently living alone, not requiring institutional care, yet, needing love and interest on the part of a family."

The program has had mixed results to date, partly because its limited annual budget of $15,000 imposes restraints on its ability to expand. Twenty families have registered with the program so far, but there are probably hundreds of senior citizens who'd like to participate but cannot because Romberg has no authority to increase his case load unless a far bigger budget is approved.

According to Romberg, a 26-year old graduate in social work from the University of Toronto, about half the participants in the program are impoverished, eking out an existence from old age security cheques. Twenty five to 30% are of lower middle class origin, while the remainder are financially secure.

He was asked to reconcile the apparent contradiction between traditionally close-knit Jewish families and the presence of a growing group of foresaken and forlorn elderly people.

"In some cases, their families couldn't cope with them for emotional or financial reasons," said Romberg. "In other instances, the elderly person himself decided to move out.".

There are quite a number of Jewish nursing homes in the city, said Romberg, which should theoretically obviate the need for the Elderly Foster Home Program. But it is not as easy as it may sound: a candidate must be at least 70 years old in order to qualify, and may have to wait for as long as one year to gain admittance to a home. Then, too, the stigma attached to nursing homes seems to discourage a substantial number of elderly people from considering them as viable alternatives.

"You're no longer independent in a nursing home," remarked Romberg. "You're cared for. It's an emotional and psychological blow."

Consequently, the Elderly Foster Home Program caters to those who are reluctant to become wards of nursing homes but who nevertheless wish to remain active in the community.

Until recently, foster families themselves were elderly. But now an increasing number of young couples in their 30's with children have expressed an interest in becoming foster "parents." Yet Romberg has no illusions about their motives, which are largely financial. Jewish Family and Child Service provide rent subsidies ranging from $30 to $300 per month for each elderly person.

But money isn't always the primary consideration for families who want their children to have a bubba and a zeide. Older people can become true components of a family.

Romberg, who runs the program in co-ordination with some 35 social workers, decries the negative attitude displayed by the young and the not-so-young towards the old. "We make the elderly into a sickness," he asserted. "Society says you're over the hill." He has a special affection for the elderly because he grew up with his grandmother, now 99 years old.

Ideally, says Romberg, a co-op for the elderly would be most feasible. It would be filled to capacity. Yet it is only a dream, for the time being, because there is no money.

The inability to establish a co-op is somewhat symbolic of Romberg's dilemma. He wants to enlist community support for the Elderly Foster Home Program, yet it is doomed to being a limited venture so long as there is a shortage of funds.

McNicoll Public School

Group of Zionist youth open branch at school

voice of youth
By JEFFREY LIPSITZ

The Dror Zionist Youth Organization, a world wide, Israeli-based, Labor-Zionist Youth movement, recently opened a new 'moadon' (club) at McNicoll Public School, in the Leslie-Finch area, in addition to its main branch at the Borochov Centre in the Sheppard-Wilson Heights area, which has been in existence for the past several years.

Frank Abrams, 'mazkir' (secretary) of the organization in Toronto, says the activities of the McNicoll group will include religious holiday programs, Zionist-related discussmembers at the second in particular, topics concerning Israel.

Oneg Shabbat will take place every Friday night at the new location on McNicoll Avenue (especially geared to children between the ages of eight and 14), in addition to the regular leadership training program for older members at the second location (Borochov Centre).

"The new group has had excellent success since its early beginnings, and it is our aim to grow and continually service the large sector of the Jewish community living in the north-east area of the city," said Abrams.

Says Judi Ludwig, 'mazkira,' "we have been functioning as a youth organization in the city for many years and have been operating a summer camp (Camp Gesher in eastern Ontario) and a winter camp, held annually at various locations.

"And as well this summer, the Dror Zionist Movement is offering a special leadership seminar in Israel."

The seminar, outlined by shaliach Micha Gery, includes three weeks of leadership training near an Israeli kibbutz together with an Israeli youth seminar, four weeks of living and working on a kibbutz, and a week of touring Israel.

The purposes of the leadership seminar are to acquaint the participants with life in Israel through personal relationships with Israeli youth, and to train the participants as youth leaders for North American Jewish youth.

For further information on the Dror Zionist Youth Organization, the new McNicoll group, summer or winter camps, or the 1975 summer leadership seminar in Israel, phone 633-2511 during the day or 221-2422 in the evening.

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B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue's youth group, BIBDY, meets every Sunday morning at the synagogue at 55 Yeomans Road in Downsview, for prayer services, breakfast and a program of a social, educational or religious nature.

According to Carey Zionce, newly-elected president of the USY chapter, "BIBDY also takes a very keen interest in community affairs; for example, on Shabbat mornings we hold services for the sick and elderly at Baycrest Centre.

"We also realize the importance of helping the people of Israel. One Sunday afternoon we raised over $1,100 by selling flashlights for the benefit of the Institute for the Blind in Jerusalem," Garey said.

"Last week we held another very successful, well-attended program; guest speaker Gary Levine dealt with the topic of intermarriage after the participants viewed an episode of the controversial television series **Bridget Loves Bernie.**

Upcoming programs include regular athletic activities at the 'Y', the movie **Walking Tall** on Jan. 25, and a Shabbaton with another chapter in Buffalo, details of which will be released at a later date.

For information on BIBDY phone the group's advisor, Saul Morganstein, at 633-1338.

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This Sunday afternoon, Jan. 19, at 3:00 p.m., the Eastern-Candjan Region of United Synagogue Youth present a seminar on **Jewish Humor** at the Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder Street, Downsview.

The cost of $1.50 also includes supper and activity at a nearby gym.

Jan. 18 at 8 p.m. is the date and time for folk songs by Tony Kosinec at a coffee house to be held at the Shaarei Tefillah Youth Centre, 3600 Bathurst St., and not Jan. 11, as previously announced in this column.

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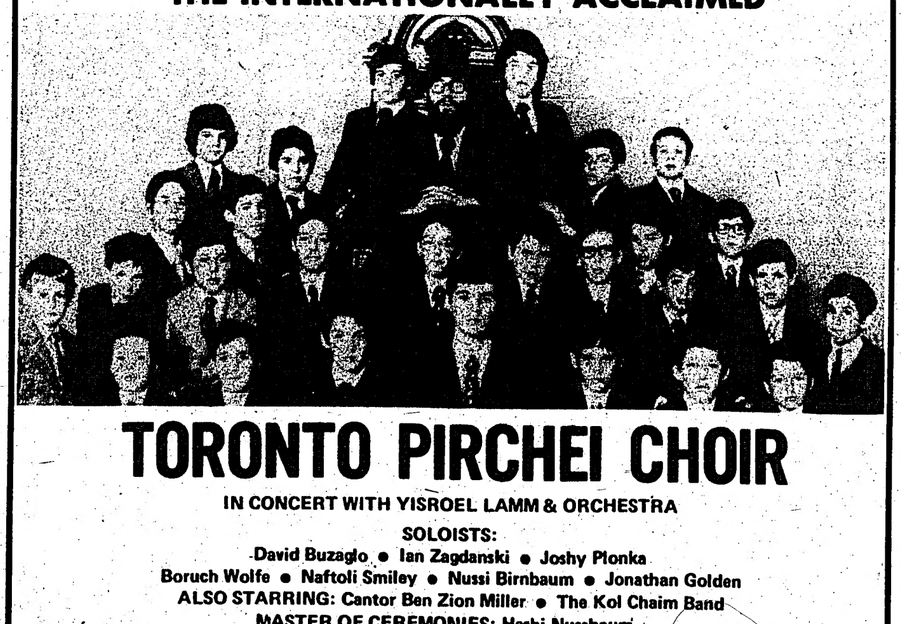

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Camp for handicapped youngsters is planned by Reena Foundation

By LEAH FEINMAN

TORONTO —

The first public announcement of the opening of Camp Reena in Caldeon Hills in the summer of 1975 was made at the second annual meeting of the Reena Foundation held at Beth Emeth Bais Yehudah Synagogue. The Reena Foundation is an organization aimed at providing a framework of semi-independent living for young people and adults who are mentally, physically, or emotionally handicapped.

Rabbi Joseph Kelman, who chaired the meeting, announced that the camp, donated by an anonymous benefactor, would be open this summer for three periods. Two periods, of three weeks each, would have an enrolment of adolescent children with learning disabilities, while the third period would have younger children who are mentally deprived.

The camp, which has room for 48 campers will be winterized, and it is hoped that the facilities will be used throughout the year by residents of Reena homes and their families. Synagogues and organizations will be able to use the site for cultural and social activities.

On Jan. 22, members of the Reena Foundation will act as volunteer helpers for the Ritche culture Fashion Show which will be held at Inn on the Park. Tickets are $5, and proceeds of the show will be donated to the Foundation.

"Family Day," the fund-raising project chaired by Mrs. Evie Garnett, will take place on Sunday, March 2, at Hillcrest Mall, just south of Richmond Hill. There will be an art sale, fashion shows, information depots, movies for children, and free refreshments throughout the Mall. The money raised will go to support the two houses which have been obtained for group homes for handicapped young adults and for camp scholarships. Although the two houses have been available for some time, zoning problems have prevented the use of the two homes. Reena Foundation has received a LIP grant to develop community awareness of the need and desirability of integrating young handicapped adults into the community of North York. This project will be under the supervision of Mrs. Sandy Keshen, one of the founders of Reena Foundation.

The Reena Foundation, which is a new concept in integrating the handicapped into the community, will have its first home in operation by March, 1975, said Rabbi Kelman. In the short period since its inception, the Reena Foundation has succeeded for two reasons. One, it is filling a great need, and two, dedicated volunteers have spent countless hours in interpreting the needs of Reena to the community and have earned the support of social service organizations and the government.

Anyone interested in serving with this foundation should call 630-4751.

Professors agree to postpone trips

HAIFA —

Administration officials and representatives of the Faculty Association at the Technion - Israel Institute of Technology have signed an agreement detailing policy regarding overseas sabbatical leaves for the institute's faculty members.

As the sabbatical represents an important tool for maintaining the Technion's high professional and scientific standing, which has a direct bearing on scientific and technological development in Israel, the university has asked its faculty members to postpone plans to spend their sabbatical year abroad. As well, the administration has requested faculty members to use their sabbatical by making their professional services and experiences available to the country's industry and defence-related research establishment.

In other developments, the faculty of architecture and town planning has awarded the Abraham and Deborah Sagorsky Prizes in architecture and town planning for the year 1974.

First prize recipient, Jean Michel Guldman of the Technion's Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning, was cited for his work: **Optimization Models for Air Pollution Control and Industry Location Policy-Application to Haifa Metropolitan Area.**

The Sagorsky Prizes were established 10 years ago by Dr. Deborah Sagorsky of Capetown, South Africa for gradutes of the Technion and Hebrew University of Jerusalem making important contributions in the areas of architecture and urban planning.

Second prizes were awarded to Rivka Hashimshony of the Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning of the Technion, and Danny Barashi of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Survivor of Holocaust has fulfilled her pledge

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

The only way to discover the true feeling of having lived through the Holocaust and to attain some justice for our people is if each of the survivors leaves a documentary, believes Chava Kwinta.

This is exactly what Mrs. Kwinta has done. Her recently released book, **I'm Still Living**, published in Toronto by Simon and Pierre, deals with her young life in Poland through her early teenage years, filled with one horror after another, until she was liberated by the British from Bergen-Belsen on April 15, 1945.

Near death, in a semi-conscious state when the British arrived, the first thing she decided when she regained conciousness was that some day she would write about all that she had endured for six years. The turning point to bring her desire to fruition came when she saw the former neo-Nazi, Beatty, on Canadian television. "From that moment I could not rest. I knew that the Nazis had died but their idea was still alive. That incident gave me the strength to write," she said.

In an interview with **The Candian Jewish News**, the attractive mother of three daughters aged 19, 17 and 10 explained that her book was written for all young people today. "I have a message for them. I want them to read it and help me fulfil the promise we children made that if we survived, we would tell what happened," she explained.

Out of respect to them, most of whom were Orthodox, she never wrote or did anything in connection with her book on the Sabbath or holidays. "This is how they would have wanted it," she believes.

Over and over, in a soft spoken manner, she repeated that she is not filled with hatred, but she does have a message to spread. Seeing the Holocaust through the eyes of a young girl, she believes things might have been different if Polish Jews had had a strong leader.

She also believes that Hitler and the Nazis would have used anyone who might have been able to facilitate their ambition to conquer the world. "It just so happens that we were the best targets. For thousands of years we had no country of our own, we had a history of persecutions, we were used as scapegoats for so many goals in the past and Hitler saw that no one was willing to protect us and speak up for us."

Furthermore, she contends that Hitler took away "the religion of the German people and gave them the religion of hate. I'm sure they didn't believe all that was said about the Jews, but they needed this hatred."

Mrs. Kwinta, now a nurse (she met her husband, Mike, also a survivor and now a builder in Toronto, in Israel in 1950, where she helped nurse him back to health), notes a change in attitude among her friends. For so long, she explained, they thought it best to forget. Now they feel it is important to remember, especially in light of recent events.

"When they let Yasser Arafat speak at the United Nations it seemed like the world body had given its approval to kill the remaining refugees," she said.

Lamenting the condition in Israel where at least a million people have never known peace, and determined that the million or so children who shared her experiences not be forgotten, she is making a special effort to speak to groups of students whom she feels want to know what happened, but have never had adequate school courses to teach them.

Chava Kwinta — author of "I'm Still Living"

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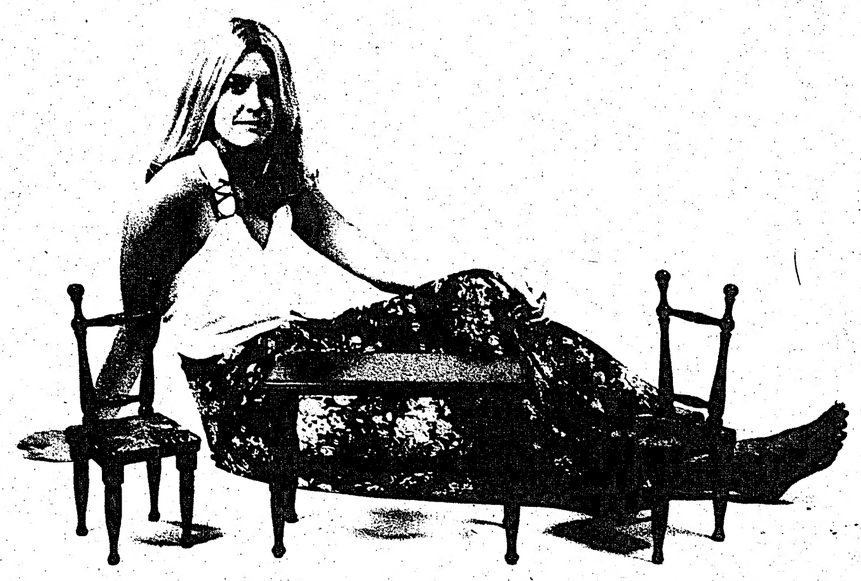

These are Howdy Doody Club House chairs and table, circa 1953-58, currently part of the exhibit, CHAIRS, at the Art Gallery of Ontario. The Howdy Doody set is on loan from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seymour. (AGO)

'Chairs' celebrates the exotic

art

By PAULA DAVID

Chairs is an exhibit currently at the Art Gallery of Ontario that celebrates the everyday and the exotic, the mundane and the macabre, the abstract and the concrete; all embodied in the common noun-chair. The show is a delightful conglomeration of chairs and presents a "serious, comic, metaphysical, insane, feet-on-the-ground examination of the burning issue of chairness."

Over four hundred examples of chairs have been collected, and they fill the gallery from floor to ceiling. There are high chairs, dental chairs, hand-painted chairs, rocking chairs, miniature chairs, giant chairs, collapsible chairs, royal chairs, dining room chairs, stuffed chairs and hurdy-gurdy chairs, to name but a few. The imagination is immediately bombarded by the very concept of chair and the atmosphere is pervaded by a sense of fun, absurdity, history and variety.

Alvin Balkind, curator of contemporary art, compiled chairs, and it is obvious, even to the uninitiated, that he is indeed an expert in the field of chairs. While the collection can be viewed from an academic conceptual framework, Balkind obviously had a great deal of fun compiling the exhibit and his sense of humour is evident throughout the show. Classic Morris and Mackintosh chairs come in direct contact with the even more eternal outhouse chair, and a modern plexiglass model sits comfortably beside the beat-up Volkswagen van chair. Once the viewer has become innundated with the whole concept of chairness, the immediate reaction is to figure out what's missing. Balkind has kindly taken this reaction into consideration, and provided a giant blackboard so that visitors may record any ommissions. This may prove quite a challenge, but there is ample room and facility to sit down and consider.

A very basic philosophy behind CHAIRS is one that I firmly uphold. Art galleries should not be shrines to antiquity, but active, dynamic and stimulating environments. There are no set intellectual pre-requisites for the viewer to grapple with, there is no 'right' interpretation, and there is no set definition for what is validly art. The collection is eclectic on purpose, so that each individual can react personally to his own experiences. The wonderful variation is a classic example of man's reaction to a common and necessary object.

As well as the many chairs borrowed from their working environments, several artists are represented by their personal interpretation of 'chair.' Claudia Cohen's miniature **Jewish Fairy Princess** sits proudly in her wicker chair, in all her ceramic glory. A series of Karsh photos shows celebrities upon chairs of office, and chairs that reflect the comfort and luxury of position.

Besides visual and tactile chariness, a series of audio-visual material and lectures completes the chair environment. Mel Brook's theme from the movie **Twelve Chairs** is piped in, and the schedule of plays, tapes, and lectures can be obtained from the Gallery.

The show is an exciting one, and when viewed with an open mind, promises an element of enjoyment for everyone. It is definitely an experience to be appreciated by all ages and any level of conoisseur. I strongly recommend that sometime before March 2, the entire family get up from their comfortable television chair and visit **chairs** at the Art Gallery of Ontario.

Winnipeg amateurs stage inspiring show in Toronto

music

By RICK KARDONNE

Winnipeg must truly be an ideal Jewish Diaspora centre. The fact that a community of only 25,000 is able to produce such a first-rate richly talented amateur folk troupe such a as the Sarah Sommer Chai Ensemble, which put on such a highly diversified and wonderful entertaining show to a sellout audience at Toronto's CNE Queen Elizabeth Auditorium on Jan.11, should be a deep source of pride and emulation among us everywhere.

The highlight of the show was singer Kenny Maslowsky, whose basic style utilizes the inspiration of Joel Gray as a springboard to do his own thing. He performed two numbers totally different in mood: following a moving clear tenor interpretation of Rappoport's **Yerushalayim**, Maslowsky then instantly turned on the audience with a uniquely comic rapport as he sang his completely original rendition of the English language version of the Russian song **Kretchma**. The other solo singer, Candice Cohen, is a pure but dignified soprano with a regal bearing. Both Kenny Maslowsky and Candice Cohen are exceptionally promising vocalists who deserve much more public exposure.

Another memorable part of this altogether inspiring show was a medley of skits and songs (with lyics by Zalman Chaikin) which were original sketches from the not-so-distant past in an East European shettle. Particularly humorous was a scene in which a yeshiva bocher tries to win the heart of a girl, but since he doesn't know how to do anything outside of his studies, he constantly refers to passages in the Torah which he feels are most relevant. I only wish that the program notes had been more specific as to which actors played which roles so that I could have been more specific in my praise.

A fierce Winnipeg blizzard grounded some of the performers that evening; as a result, some of those present in Toronto had to double up on songs that they had not rehearsed, and so some of the singers didn't know all of their words. But this difficulty was hardly noticeable, and the troupe as a whole certainly did the best that was possible in view of this unavoidable situation.

The selection of songs was truly admirable; a fine balance between the familiar and the not-so-familiar so as to expand the audience's sense of Jewish music consciousness. Among the most distinctly memorable musical numbers was a medley of rarely-heard but melodically beautiful Ladino Sephardic ballads dating back to the golden age of Jewish life in Spain prior to 1492. Special praise goes to musical director Miriam Breitman, who, I suppose, selected the songs.

The choreography, by, I presume, artistic directors Jill and Nenad Lhotka, was tightly polished yet creatively imaginative. The two most memorable dance numbers both appeared back-to-back in the second half: following **Chalil Bagilil**, in which Gary Levine, Errol Billinkoff and Perry Rubinfeld performed a highly intricate Mideast desert number (symbolizing the small defense patrols in the early days of the Yishuv) to a solo flute and bongo drum; there followed a graceful Shabbat dance by all of the girl dancers featuring two girls who entered each with a crown of lighted Sabbath candles atop her head.

All of the Chai performers are students between the ages of 15 and 25; their performance not only elicited great enthusiasm among the capacity audience but also a tremendous sense of Jewish pride which alone was a beautiful sight. Why can't Toronto and Montreal each sponsor an amateur youth Jewish folk troupe of such comparably high calibre?

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Vice-principal of Ulpanot Orot in Toronto, Judith Dasberg spends much of her spare time working on copper and enamel wall hangings. Her themes revolve around the ingathering of Jews to Israel and the eternal existence of Eretz Yisrael. (David Groskind photo)

Broken colored bottles, smashed tinted glass delights Israeli artist

By Sheldon Kirshner
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO — Judith Dasberg loves broken colored bottles and fragments of smashed tinted glass.

She delights in these esoteric items not out of a sadistic or childish compulsion, but because she finds that chunks and portions of glass lend themselves well to her particular artistic inclinations.

A bright-eyed 28-year-old mother of three, Mrs. Dasberg uses all manner of glass, not to mention enamel and copper, to fashion her striking and distinctive art works and costume jewelry.

Lately, however, she has struck out in a somewhat different direction. Nowadays, she prefers to work almost exclusively with copper and enamel. Her themes revolve around the ingathering of the Jews to Israel, the eternal existence of Eretz Yisroel and the moral leadership of the Jewish people in their historic homeland.

Mrs. Dasberg, an Israeli national, has created some 20 copper and enamel wall hangings since her arrival to Toronto in August of 1973. Last December, she displayed seven of her favorites at an ORT exhibition in the Prince Hotel here. She managed to sell a few, and the word got around that Judith Dasberg was quite a talented lady.

Vice-principal of Ulpanot Orot, Mrs. Dasberg practices her art on strictly a part-time basis. "My job here is to promote aliyah," she said. Her husband, Uri, teaches at Or Chaim Yeshiva.

Her accomplishments belie the length of time in which she has devoted herself to her art. She began about three years ago, commuting from her home in Jerusalem to study enameling in Tel Aviv. She was pregnant with her third son when she was seized by a desire to perfect her natural talent. "I love art. I like to try everything," she said by way of explaining her plunge into the variegated world of copper enameling.

The first thing she did upon completing her course was to order a portable kiln from Germany. The kiln, which sits next to her stove in her apartment kitchen, is an indispensable part of her craft.

Mrs. Dasberg says that the flow of daily events occasionally influences her. Her latest work, entitled **Am Yisroel Chai**, was inspired by PLO chieftain Yasser Arafat's recent UN appearance. It is meant to convey the idea, she said, that the Jewish people — as well as the state of Israel — will survive and thrive in spite of adversity.

When she returns to Israel, Czech-born Mrs. Dasberg hopes to take up art on a permanent basis. "But it all depends on whether I can earn a living out of it," she said impishly.

Remarkable tale went begging

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

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Adele Wiseman, whose first novel **The Sacrifice** won the Governor-General's Award in 1956, now unfolds for us the saga of an obese, improbable Jewish whore — a singular and unforgettable character.

Hoda's parents — her blind father and hunchbacked mother — had been mated by fellow-villagers in Eastern Europe in order to spare the community the ravages of a plague and probable pogrom. According to the local superstition, if two maimed or incomplete persons were brought together in marriage, somehow the life-giving powers within the community would be renewed and propitiated.

Unattractive, sloppy, intuitive Hoda is rebuffed by her classmates and misunderstood by her frightened and embarrassed teachers. In her poverty and need for affection, innocent Hoda is led into her first fumbling sexual experiences — and then gradually into a career of promiscuity and prostitution. But always at her inner core is a kind of private innocence, a moral sense that remains inviolate despite the cruelty and crassness all around her.

Blind Daniel, devoted father and humble weaver of baskets, becomes for the growing girl, after the early death of her mother, an idealized figure, a one-man system of values — a fragile reed to be shielded and protected from reality.

When her illegitimate child is born — Hoda has been able to conceal the pregnancy — she leaves it at the doorstep of the Winnipeg Jewish orphanage with a strangely worded note. No one ever suspects that she is the mother.

The climax of the novel is reached when David, her young son, comes to her for his first sexual encounter. Here is an episode so intense in its emotional overtones that it is, understandably, beyond the capabilities of most writers. Wiseman describes the tragic meeting tenderly but not sentimentally, with compassion but not pity.

At the end — older, wiser, and unrepenting — Hoda marries a newcomer to the city, a pitiful refugee from the European Holocaust. In this way, in another generation, are two incomplete individuals united — and who knows what plague of incalculable evil has been averted.

The author has strong roots in the Jewish tradition and never loses sight of her characters — despite their lapses and shortcomings — as moral beings, reflections of the Divine image. She has said: "The fact that I am a Jew has determined my whole professional career."

The action covers the period from World War I to World War II and through the eyes of the characters we see Winnipeg torn by labor strife, and marked by social inequality as it goes through the pains of achieving maturity

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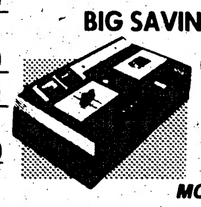

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Florida's Sunken Gardens

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ST. PETERSBURG — Florida's Sunken Gardens ranks high on the list of things to see and do by the millions of camper and recreation vehicle families that flock to the Sunshine State annually ... and that's understandable.

The very nature of folks that are into RVs is a general inclination to be interested in America's natural scenic wonders, the flora and fauna indigenous to the various regions of the country, than the amusement park and nightlife scene. Sunken Gardens suits these interests to a tee.

The St. Petersburg attraction is Florida's oldest family-owned botanical exhibit and displays over 7,000 exotic sub-tropical plant species native to Florida and other tropical regions around the world. Nearly 500 colorful birds and animals have found refuge in Sunken Gardens' landscaped exhibits, or in the mammoth walk-through aviary. Visitors walk inside this giant flight cage and photograph 117 different bird species, many of which were once prevalent in the tropics but are now on the endangered species list.

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Lunar maps bear name of murdered scientist

REHOVOT, Israel — Recently issued Lunar maps bear the name of the late, world-renowned Weizmann Institute scientist, Aharon Katzir-Katchalsky, who was murdered by terrorists at Lydda Airport on May 30, 1972.

According to information received at the institute fromthe U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Lunar Programs Office, maps have been issued on which the crater, located on the far side of the moon, is marked at latitude 6.5° North and 116° East.

Both the crater and the map-sheet bearing the crater and its surrounding area have been designated as **Katchalsky.** Only a portion of the late scientist's name was taken, in keeping with the practice of using shortened, unhyphenated names for lunar locations, wherever possible.

Professor Aharon Katzir-Katchalsky, who was 58 at the time of his death, joined the Weizmann Institute in 1947 together with his brother Ephraim, who is now president of Israel. The founder and head of the institute's Polymer Research Department, he was awarded many honors, among them the Weizmann, Israel and Rothschild prizes

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Desire to protect environment

Land continually acquired for parks

TALLAHASSEE —
Florida's continuing desire to improve and protect its environment seems to be going hand in hand with a desire to share the state's beauty with visitors.

A highlight of 1974, which will benefit 1975 visitors and generations for years to come, was the state's purchase of the 5,514-acre San Felasco tract of endangered land near Gainesville.

Presently under consideration for purchase are 450 acres comprising Rainbow Springs at Dunnellon.

The purchase of designated areas in Big Cypress Swamp, to provide protection for an area rich in varied wildlife, is slowly moving ahead, although no money has changed hands.

In the Big Cypress Conservation Act of 1973, the Florida Legislature ordered the acquisition program within the boundaries of the proposed Federal Big Cypress National Freshwater Reserve. This area covers more than 500,000 acres in South Florida, in Collier, Dade and Monroe counties.

Last year, the Florida department of natural resources completed the state network of 21 canoe trails. These segments of essentially wild rivers will be protected in their natural state. They all offer canoeists a view of what Florida looked like a century or two ago.

In keeping with the preservation theme, wilderness preserves have been established in two southwest Florida state parks.

Portions of Myakka River State Park, east of Sarasota, and Collier-Seminole State Park, near Naples, have been set aside for wilderness use. Public access will be allowed for appropriate recreational use, although both areas will be under stringent protection.

The Myakka River Preserve will be open from 8 a.m. to sunset, with a daily maximum of 20 persons.

Hiking and fishing are allowed year-round, and motorless boating is permitted from April through October. The entrance fee is 25 cents.

The Collier-Seminole preserve is basically a mangrove forest containing many tidal creeks and bays. It covers 4,760 acres in the southern region of the park.

In addition to numerous saltwater game fish, there are pelicans, ospreys and wading brids, including the roseate spoonbill. Racoons are plentiful and even the endangered manatee may be seen.

Visitors may enjoy canoeing, fishing and primitive camping, the three activities offered in the area. Thirty canoes, with a maximum of three people per canoe, are allowed each day.

"Gregory Place," one of several highspots in the wilderness, is the designated site for primitive camping. Camping is limited to ten canoes per night. A fee of 50 cents per person each night is charged.

If anyone has an urge to return to childhood days for a short time, the popular Slough Slogs, Swamp Tromps and Night Prowls started two years ago at the Everglades National Park are still going strong and continue to be just as popular as ever.

Scenic pathways abound with colorful picture taking opportunities at Florida's Sunken Gardens. The St. Petersburg botanical attraction is open year round.

'Tiffany' of motels adds garnish

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Holiday traffic 'healthy'

TALLAHASSEE —
The sudden surge in holiday traffic to Florida has leveled off after New Year's Day and tourism patterns are returning to healthy but more normal levels, reports the Florida Department of Commerce (FDC).

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Syrians ready to launch warfare

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and Jerusalem signed a disengagement pact last May, it was assumed by the Israelis that the Syrians would rebuild the city, which had a pre-1967 population of 60,000, as a token of their sincerity to reach a peaceful settlement with Israel.

Yet the Syrians have not rebuilt Kuneitra because they feel that only Israel can benefit from such a move. As the Syrian Minister of Economy, Dr. Mohammed Ali Imadi, put it: ".. we will not start to rebuild as long as the Israelis are pointing their guns at us from the surrounding heights."

Indeed, the Syrians are not really paranoid in believing that Israel is highly reluctant to withdraw from the Golan Heights and particularly from the hilltops overlooking Kuneitra. Why should Jerusalem trust the Syrians, the self-styled standard-bearers of Arab nationalism, the giddy admirers of Palestinian terrorism?

In spite of their misgivings about evacuating Syrian territory, the Israelis probably realize by now that it is only a matter of months or years before the Americans force Israel off the Golan Heights. The threat of another oil embargo and possible American involvement in a Middle East war shakes Gerald Ford as nothing else can.

Complicating the situation inexorably is the Syrian distrust of American diplomacy. Diplomatically, the Syrians have just about given up hope that Kissinger, who paid 19 visits to Damascus during his shuttle diplomacy, will be capable of arranging a total Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights. And the Syrians, unlike the Egyptians, are of the opinion that the Geneva Peace Conference can achieve far more dramatic results than Kissinger's plodding "gradual diplomacy." The Israelis, of course, prefer to deal with Kissinger. Washington itself holds the contention that talks at Geneva would bog down and signify nothing. The Russians, however, view the conference as a means of restoring their eroding influence on the course of Arab-Israeli negotiations.

If talks do take place whether under the aegis of Kissinger or at Geneva, what would the Syrians give or take?

They would apparently be amenable to an agreement providing for an eventual Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories taken by Israel in 1967. As well, they would insist on the creation of a Palestinian state under the leadership of the PLO on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. East Jerusalem, so the scenario goes, would revert to Arab rule, but free access to the holy places would be assured to all nations. Damascus would be willing to accept the demilitarization of the Golan Heights under a Syrian civil administration.

The Syrians do not expect the Israelis to agree to this scenario. And, if the past is any indicator, Israel will not accept such terms. Consequently, both sides are arming for war. The Russians, who are training Syrians troops, are said to be respectful of the allegedly tough, independent-minded Syrians.

In line with their military commitments to Damascus, Russia has sent 3,000 troops and /or advisors serving in combat units and manning ground-to-air missile batteries near the capital. Shimon Peres, Israeli defence minister, says that Russia has more than replaced the weapons lost by Syria in the Yom Kippur War, having delivered at least 1,062 tanks, more than 300 jet fighters, including 50 MIG-23's, surface-to-surface missiles, and hundreds of armored troop carriers, artillery pieces and anti-tank guns.

The greatest danger in the event of an outbreak of war on the Syrian frontier is that Egypt would be dragged into the conflict, not to mention Iraq and possibly Jordan. Israel would then be exposed to a formidable military challenge and her casualties would be extremely costly whatever the outcome.

At the moment, winter storms ravage the Golan Heights and military operations are next to impossible. But in the spring, when the snow has melted and the ground is firm, the antagonists may be ready to lash out at each other.

It remains to be seen what the super powers will do to prevent the apocalypse that may yet trigger a nuclear holocaust.

Schools integration possible without loss of features

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On pupil-teacher ratio, Steiner pointed out that "there are good prospects for overcoming the difficulties ... in the present ratio. With goodwill and deliberation on the part of all concerned, this issue will be resolved."

Referring to admission policies, Steiner said that a student wishing to enter a Jewish school "would be required to embrace the totality of the Jewish school program, including the Hebraic portion of the curriculum, and could not be admitted .. without special circumstances which would permit for exceptions."

In his view, exceptions would include immigrant youngsters from Israel and children who have attended Jewish schools elsewhere in Canada or abroad.

Steiner told the trustees that an open admissions policy, recommended by Dr. Parlow, can be modified according to the formula adopted by the French school.

He said the Board of Jewish Education has no objection that teachers should be certified according to the regulations of the ministry of education. "All new teachers hired for the schools would be expected to conform fully with ministry requirements, he continued. But all those teachers who are

Harry Steiner

presently not certified be given three to five years to overcome their various deficiencies.

Steiner stated, however, that veteran teachers be "treated as fully certified personnel and admitted into the public school system under a special 'grandfather' clause."

Principles should be granted a special status enabling them to continue in their present posts, or each school should assign two principles, one to supervise the general studies program, another to implement the Jewish Studies program.

On the issue of language instruction, Steiner maintained that the Jewish schools are conforming substantially to minstry requirements by devoting the major portion of the school day to instruction in the English language.

Steiner stressed that "every effort must be made to safeguard the continued existence" of the various boards comprising the Board of Jewish Education. As he put it:

".. the role of the individual school boards cannot be emphasized too strongly, and the importance of preserving the individuality of these groups, who reflect the concerns of the 'users' of our schools, must be assured."

Steiner said "it would be highly desirable ... indeed imperative, that a role be assigned to the Board of Jewish Education in planning for, and assisting in, the general educational program of the Jewish schools, and providing the administrative controls to make the integration operation function satisfactorily.

Also in attendance at the meeting were Phil Granovsky, president of the United Welfare Fund; Ben Schneider, executive director of the UWF, and Mrs. Suri Greenberg of the Parents Association.

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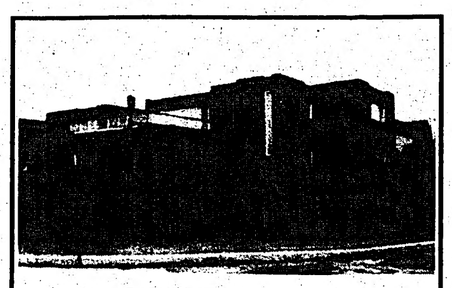

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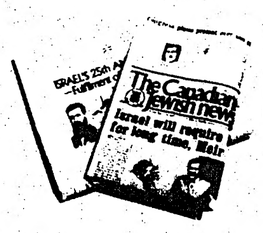

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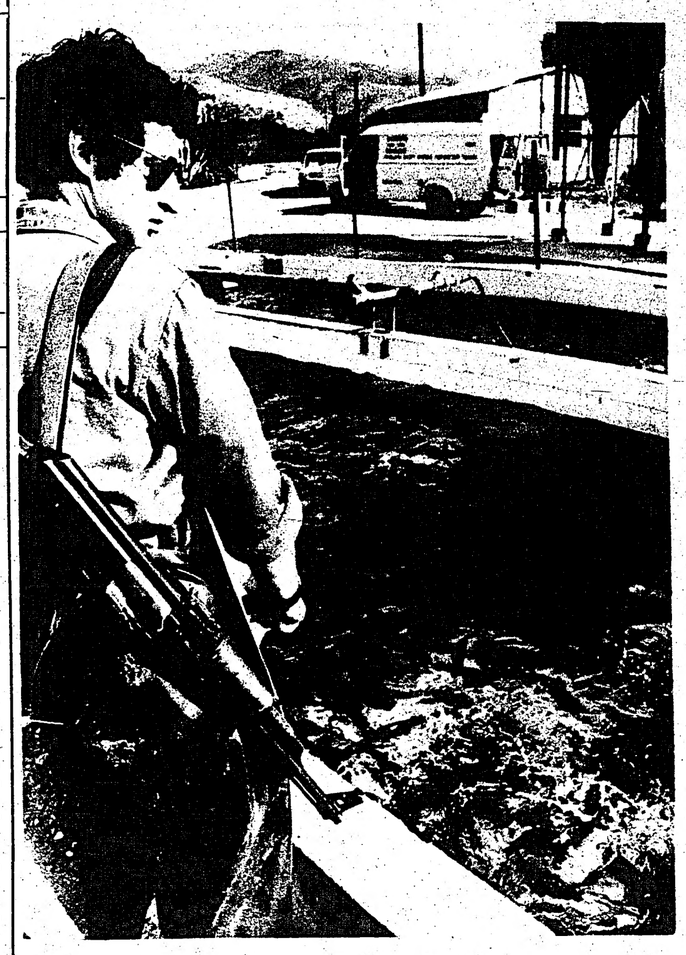

An armed fisherman checks over the Forel fish on Kibbutz Dan in the northern Galilee. Brought over from northern Europe about five years ago, the fish is now welcomed by many diners in Israel's finest dining establishments. (IPPA)

Immigrant wants musical reform

By Sheldon Kirshner
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO — Leo Wigdorchik feels that the Canadian musical education system is urgently in need of reform and he proposes to do something about it, provided his ideas seize the imagination of wealthy donors.

Wigdorchik, 42, a violinist with the Toronto Symphony and a well-known teacher since his arrival from Russia last year, wants to create a musical centre intended to match the high standards of the best Russian conservatory.

It may sound like a refreshingly new concept, says Wigdorchik, but in reality it is not. "It is on the minds of many Canadian musicians," he explained, "but the trouble is that they don't fight for their ideas. It is necessary to push, to explain."

Canada, he continued, is not in the same musical league with the Soviet Union or other European nations because it lacks a rich musical tradition and because the government is unable or unwilling to provide great sums of money to foster the development of music.

He claims one of the problems is that music students do not devote enough of their time to their craft. One or two lessons per week is hardly enough, he says. "What can you do with that?" he asked, hands up. "Nothing! It's not really professional ..."

In Russia, he asserted, serious students study music on a far more systematic and disciplined basis. Exams occur more frequently. By comparison, Canadian pedagogical standards are quite lax, and teachers' salaries rather mediocre.

Wigdorchik is supremely confident that he can infuse large doses of creativity and discipline into Canadian music pedagogy. As he put it: "If we had the chance to show them what we can do, they would flock to us. Our level would reach new heights it would be absolutely higher than any of the conservatories here."

Leo Wigdorchik

He stresses he would adopt the Russian screening system to select some 200 to 300 gifted students to his envisaged musical centre. Only the most talented would be chosen to study with Wigdorchik and his staff (many of whom are currently in transit from Russia.)

"Donors should not expect immediate results," he warned, "but in good time they will see what we can do."

He was unable to state the amount of funds he would require to set up the centre.

Wigdorchik, the son of a house painter, began to study the violin at seven. In his teens, he studied under Yuli Adlin, who in turn was taught by the renowned Leopold Auer. By the time he was 18, Wigdorchik was already teaching and performing with various orchestras in Leningrad.

From 1963 until his emigration, he moved from one city and region to another, spending the bulk of his time in Siberia. To this day, he expresses amazement at the Soviets' commitment to provide the vast reaches of Siberia with fine cultural amenities. In Yakutsk (population 130,000), where he lived for some years, Wigdorchik glowingly told of the opera, philarmonic, theatre and ballet available to the citizenry.

He decided to leave Russia because he felt he and his two children, one of whom is a budding pianist, would have a better future in the West.

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Special, all-encompassing settlement projects have lately been sponsored by various groups of olim in cooperation with government ministries and the Jewish Agency Settlement Department. In view of the relatively high cost of housing available on the private market, more and more American and other western olim have become interested in these opportunities. People joining any of these projects have guaranteed employment and usually get an individual house without having to making an unreasonable investment.

All the following new and older settlements are situated in rural districts or in new semi-urban developments. All are either totally, or at least partially, populated by English-speaking new immigrants. Full details of the exact type of housing, conditions, etc. may be obtained from the Israel Aliyah Center.

1. Sdeh Nitzan — (in the western Negev) is a village based on growing greenhouse tomatoes for export to Europe. There are now some 30 families settled there, more on the way and an additional 20 families are sought to join the Moshav.

2. Yachdav — a moshav-shitufi of young orthodox families being built in the Etzion Block south of Jerusalem. Twenty-five families will move there in the summer of 1975. Income will be derived from several businesses such as computerized typesetting, computer software production, production of games and toys, machinery repair and maintenance, etc.

3. Ketura — a kibbutz recently established in the Arava by former Young Judea members, seeks young people in their twenties. Today there are some 30 Americans, both families and singles. The kibbutz grows select vetgetables, raises turkeys and dairy cattle, and is looking for people who have the expertise that can be used in the establishment of a small industrial project.

4. Neve Ilan — a beautifully situated moshav-shitufi in the Jerusalem hills now settled by some 35 families, needs 30 more. The economy of Nevei Ilan is based on agriculture (mushroom growing, the raising of turkeys and an orchid and protea nursery), industry (electronic components plants)' and an arts and crafts school. There are children of all ages and the moshav is open to both observant and secular-minded people. They are at present looking especially for **systems analysts, computer programmers, mathematicians, accountants, electronics engineers, art teachers** and others. Ages up to the 40's are acceptable

5. Bnai Darom — this long-established moshav-shitufi near Ashdod consists of 40 families of orthodox Israelis. The great majority speak English and they are looking for several more American families, ages 25-45. Besides growing vegetables, cotton, citrus fruit and some livestock, there is also an iron extrusion plant supplying the building trades.

6. Timorim — a long-established, prosperous moshav-shitufi near Kiryat Gat, originally settled by South African olim requires several more families. Besides growing greenhouse flowers and vegetables, the moshav runs a highly successful metal and plastics factory in Ashkelon which produces metal shelving, furniture, venetian blinds, etc.

Retraining for Israel — Earn While You Learn

A B.A. or B.S. degree in the liberal arts or the sciences — and no experience — usually makes it difficult to pin down a job in Israel before aliyah and so, engenders uncertainites and doubts. On the other hand, in Israel there is a severe manpower shortage in a number of needed professions. A special program is now being offered by the Labor and Absorption Ministries that offers subsidized retraining courses to qualify for professional jobs in **social work, library science, banking and financial management, systems analysis and food chemistry.** All these courses are due to start in various places in Israel in September-October 1975. Graduates are guaranteed suitable employment in their new fields. Ulpan Hebrew, or the equivalent, is required of all participants who, once accepted in their specific retraining scheme, are paid a monthly allowance to cover basic living expenses besides being accommodated and taught under government and Jewish Agency auspices.

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Integrated Absorption Program for Social Workers

The Beersheba Absorption Center will play host to a group of new immigrant social workers due to arrive in Israel in July 1975. Applications are now being accepted by the Israel Aliyah Centers.

This will be the second such program for social workers who will come under the pre-aliyah guarantee scheme underwritten by the Ministry of Absorption and the Jewish Agency.

At present, the first group of 15 Americans who started ulpan studies in September 1974 in Haifa are finding the program successful and stimulating. Haifa University's School of Social Work is sponsoring the present group and provides observation sessions and lectures on professional problems and on the structure of the Ministry of Social Welfare and other social work oriented bodies in Israel.

Guaranteed Jobs for Paramedical Olim

One of the chief concerns of prospective olim is usually how to make sure of a job before aliyah plans are finalized. Understandably, there were usually poblems in obtaining employer commitments sight unseen and so decisions to move to Israel were delayed or postponed indefinitely. Today, under the pressure of the needs created by the last war, this problem is now largely being overcome under a job guarantee scheme underwritten by government or public institutions in order to help meet the crying needs for skilled manpower in the social services.

Thus, **nurses, vocational therapists and physiotherapists** can now not only get definite job commitments before aliyah, but can start work on a part-time basis while still attending an ulpan. This applies to both singles and marrieds. Jobs are open in the Tel Aviv area as well as in more outlying districts. Help is available with housing and other initial settling-in problems.

Special group ulpan programs for personnel in these fields are being organized by the Israel Aliyah Centers to start on September 19, 1975 in Haifa.

Yamit — Americans in new Town on Mediterranean.

The construction of the new Israeli city of Yamit on the Mediterranean coastline is proceeding apace. Houses are rising on the sand dunes, roads are being built and piping laid down and the new settlers are preparing to move into their new houses. A group of American olim is among the first settlement group which consists of Russians and native Israelis. From recent reports of the American group, plans are to open a gas station on the near-by cross roads, to develop the beach for recreational facilities and to start a cabinet making plant and a film studio. A supermarket will also be constructed soon. Newcomers to Yamit obtain full government and Jewish Agency help in starting their business and have favorable options for renting or purchasing the new homes far below ordinary market values in Israel.

This is perhaps one of the most exciting aliyah projects available to the enterprising and the dynamic who are prepared to "rough" it a bit in order to get in on the groundwork of a most promising future. Applications are still being accepted for the second group due to leave the U.S. in the Summer of '75

Mind Your Own Business in Israel

The Tour Ve'Aleh office, a part of the Israel Aliyah Center, has many current listings of business openings in Israel which are available to new immigrants. These listings are periodically updated. A majority of these offers also qualify for special government subsidies for the oleh investor.

In addition to these business offers, the Tour Ve'Aleh office can also give prospective immigrants evaluations of the current economic situation in Israel and offer guidance on investing in Israel. For further information about investing or buying a business in Israel, contact: Tour Ve'Aleh, Israel Aliyah, 788 Marlee Ave., Toronto, Ont. M6B 3K1 781-4660 or 781-4353.

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